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FDR DIRECTS ARMY TAKE OVER IN PHILA.



PHILLY TRAINS MOVE—For two hours Wednesday night, the tie-up which paralyzed the city's transport system was broken as union stewards, convinced by the CIO Transport Workers Union, led a back-to-work movement. Subways and "els" were in operation but the resumption proved only temporary.

Balks Anti-Negro Conspirators As Troops Run Transit Lines

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—President Roosevelt tonight directed the Army to take possession and control of the strike-bound Philadelphia Transit system. Acting under his war powers, Mr. Roosevelt authorized Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson to:

"Take possession and assume control of the transportation systems of the Philadelphia Co., including all real and personal property and other assets, wherever situated, used, or useful in connection with the operation of said systems, and I authorize him to utilize such systems for such purposes connected with the war emergency as he may deem needful or desirable, and to terminate the possession and control of such systems when he determines that such possession and control are no longer necessary for purposes connected with the war emergency."

The Executive Order, designed to end the three-day strike of 5,800 workers which has paralyzed Philadelphia's transportation system, was issued by the White House.



Mr. Roosevelt is out of the city and his whereabouts is a military secret.

The White House simultaneously released the text of a letter War Labor Board Chairman William H. Davis had sent to the President informing him that the board unanimously had voted to refer the strike to him for appropriate action.

By WALTER LOWENFELS

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 3.—An order taking government possession of the strike-bound Philadelphia Transportation Co. and the union was awaiting Presidential signature today as Army officers distributed explanatory posters in anticipation to company barns.

The posters are reported to be ordering the men to return to work. The men walked out Monday under the leadership of former company union officers who exploited anti-Negro prejudice to develop a protest against upgrading of eight porters.

Plans for army seizure were reported to be complete.

No troops are in town at this moment, and it is indicated that none will be immediately after issuance of the order. Reports are that once the seizure is ordered, army action will depend on what happens.

FASCIST ELEMENTS NOTED

Meanwhile further evidence piled up showing the strike was an insurrection against the war, organized by fascist elements with whom the company is deeply involved.

"Aggie" Campbell, notorious Negro-baiter, recently expelled from the CIO Shipbuilders Union at Sun Ship on charges of trying to disrupt the union, was seen leaving

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Reconversion Hearings Begin

By ADAM LAPIN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The Senate Military Affairs Committee appeared set today to approve a sweeping reconversion measure along the lines of the Kilgore bill before the week-end.

The committee began consideration of a bill sponsored by Sen. Harry S. Truman of Missouri, Democratic vice-presidential candidate, and Sen. James E. Murray, chairman of the War Contracts Subcommittee.

Provisions of the Truman-Murray bill are almost identical with those of the Kilgore bill which rallied around it united support of the CIO, AFL, Railroad Brotherhoods and the National Farmers Union.

SURPLUS ISSUE LEFT OUT

The only difference is that the Truman-Murray bill does not tackle the far-reaching subject of surplus property disposal on the ground that this needs further study.

Sen. Harley Kilgore of West Virginia was reported to have agreed not to press for approval of the surplus property provisions of his bill before the Military Affairs Committee. Sen. Lister Hill of Alabama, Democratic whip, joined with Truman, Murray and Kilgore in fighting for the over-all reconversion bill in committee.

Administration senators on the committee are thus working closely together for a real reconversion bill which would assure war workers a top unemployment compensation of \$35 a week for two years and provide retraining allowances of \$100 a month.

Overall planning of reconversion with labor, industry and agriculture representation on a production-employment board is also provided in the bill.

Sen. Robert Rice Reynolds, North Carolina defeatist who heads the committee, reported after the first session that the committee appeared agreed on more substantial benefits than those in the George bill and on the setting of federal standards. He said that the committee would try to finish the bill by Friday or Saturday.

FIGHT LOOMS ON BENEFITS

It was believed that supporters of the Truman-Murray-Kilgore bill will be able to swing a majority of the committee. But this does not mean that the reconversion bill is assured of passage in the Senate.

One committee fight still ahead is on the amount of benefits to be paid to war workers as unemployment compensation. Sen. Reynolds is said to be one of a substantial group urging a lower scale than provided in the pending bill.

Even more important, the bill faces stiff opposition from Republican and polltax senators backing the George bill which is offered as a substitute measure but which actually gives war workers nothing they do not have today.

Sen. Walter George, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, reported his state's rights bill formally to the Senate today. It is due to come up for action on Tuesday.

The Senate Military Affairs Committee instructed Sen. Hill to ask that its bill be given the same status as if it were filed today. This was an effort to beat George to the draw.

But Hill required unanimous consent to get this status. He apparently encountered opposition, and did not make his motion.

Supporters of the Truman-Murray-Kilgore bill may, however, offer the measure as a substitute for the George bill when it reaches the floor.

Sen. Edwin C. Johnson of Colorado in the meantime introduced a surplus property disposal bill which would "put a padlock" on machinery and durable goods for a period of five years after the sale. The government would not be permitted to sell most surplus property but would be required to store it.



Three Soviet ferry pilots and an American officer are awaiting, in Fairbanks, Alaska, the arrival of lend-lease planes to be ferried to the eastern fighting front.

About 10,000 planes have reached the Soviet Union via Alaska.

Link Detroit Plotters To Phila. Transit Strike

By EUGENE GORDON

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 3.—The same subversive elements that engineered Negro-white riots in Detroit, Beaumont and elsewhere are behind the strike that tied up Philadelphia transport, Arthur Huff Fauset, chairman of the United People's Action Committee, charged today.

These influences have been manifest in the Philadelphia Transportation Co., particularly in the former company union, during the past two years, while Negroes have been fighting for up-grading from lowest paid jobs, Fauset charged. His committee includes both Negro and white members.

Relations between Philadelphia's Negro and white population were close to normal today despite the efforts of a handful of anti-democratic forces to foment riots. Among other things, I noted these developments:

ments:

1. Mayor Bernard Samuel, who has been criticized for failure to act promptly in the situation, has denied a permit for a sound truck to the North Philadelphia Civic League which sought to use it to appeal to the Negro population not to permit itself to be provoked.

2. Negro and white workers are riding together in trucks and other improvised transportation in perfect harmony and both are mingling together in the streets and in public places on friendly terms.

3. Leading Negro citizens, fearful that anti-Negro propagandists may yet send a spark to set off resentment among the Negro population, are pressing for prompt government action. There is general expectation here that a Presidential order will be issued upholding the War Manpower Commission's ruling against discrimination and directing strikers to return to work.

Plot Defense Slurs Judge In Anti-Semitic Attack

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Defense attorney insolence to the court in the Nazi plot trial reached new heights today when Albert Dilling told Justice Eicher that if the judge admitted a document concerning Dilling's former wife, Elizabeth Dilling, to evidence from "Silver Shirt" Pelley's files, the judge would become part of a Jewish plot.

The "Jews," snarled the pro-fascist Chicago attorney, were plotting to "smear Mrs. Dilling" because of her anti-Jewish activities.

The author of the "Red Network," who has been smearing trade unionists and Jewish people many years, did a tear-gushing act while her former spouse was putting on his insolence act.

The document to which Albert Dilling referred was one of 215 more Pelley raid exhibits, which will not be admitted to evidence till next week.

An anti-war cartoon in another Latch of Pelley documents, already admitted, was lauded by Pelley's heavy-jowled mouthpiece, William

Powers of Chicago.

The main figures in this drawing which American fascists used to undermine military morale, are anti-Semitic caricatures of President Roosevelt and Wendell Willkie crucifying Uncle Sam on a lend-lease cross.

Silver Shirt correspondence shows Pelley filling mail orders for "The Crucifixion," as the drawing was called, in lots of 100 at a time, shortly before Pearl Harbor.

Pelley's former secretary, Jesse D. Kling, who sometimes served as proofreader for his publications, testified to his chief's tie-ups with George E. Deatherage, national commander of the Knights of the White Camellia; Ernest Elmhurst, Staten Islander, who attended the Nazi World Congress at Erfurt, Germany; H. V. Broenstrup, who admitted taking part in a campaign to have Roosevelt declared "insane" and medically "unfit"; Frank Clark of the American Gentle League; Herman Schwin of the German American Bund.

Await FDR Order In Phila. Strike

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the PTC offices several times today. Government agencies were notified.

Campbell admitted before a government hearing a few years ago that he was paid by Pew to break up the CIO. At his recent trial by the CIO union, he read extracts from fascist publications.

COMPANY'S ACTIONS

These facts were noted about the PTC management:

1. The company closed down lines at the outset, even before the strike had fully spread.
2. Company barns were opened to strikers as headquarters.
3. The company has not yet issued a single appeal to strikers to return.
4. Management's one proposal of solution was to suggest rescinding the War Manpower Commission ordering up-grading of the Negroes.
5. When CIO Transport Workers Union officials convinced a meeting of stewards to start a back-to-work movement, they for the first time found strikers removed from company barns. This was viewed as a deterrent to the return-to-work movement, which lasted two hours and actually had subways and "els" moving.

James McMenamin, local organizer for the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen who is leading the strikers, defied the government throughout the day. He told a meeting of strikers at the Luzerne Depot, "It is one thing to threaten an executive order. It is another thing to issue it: it is another thing to enforce it."

He told his followers he was preparing to engage radio time, and to pay no attention to the President's order when it was issued. He added: "We will get the support of other transportation people who roll on wheels, the same as we do."

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PLEA BY TWU

At a meeting in the Woodland Avenue Depot this morning, Douglas MacMahon, secretary treasurer, and James Fitzsimon, vice-president of the Transport Workers Union strove to get them to operate the cars. A majority were willing, but a small, belligerent minority held sway.

Typical minority comment: "Would you want your daughter to marry a N—r? If this is a war for democracy, as the President says, then we don't have to work with N—rs. Pretty soon OPA will be running the country."

McMenamin followers stopped last night's back to work movement by threatening patriotic workers with reprisals.

The CIO Industrial Union Council at a special executive session condemned the Republican city administration for its failure to provide adequate police protection for the hundreds of CIO members on the PTC.

The Council also condemned "the criminal activities of a handful of fascists who have forced the employees of the PTC into paralyzing the life of this community." The statement, signed by Charles Weinstein, vice-president, and George Craig, regional director, reaffirmed CIO insistence on government enforcement of anti-discrimination rules in hiring.

Every one of the city's four papers denounced the strikers, supported the up-grading of Negroes and asked the government to step in. This was also the sentiment of the vast majority of the million and a half Philadelphians who ride the cars daily. Letters to the press expressed the same feeling.

The man and woman in the street wants to ride to work whether the cars are operated by black, white, or yellow.

In 72 hours, Philadelphia has

gone through a life experience.

War plants are being manned with much lateness, and about 10 percent absenteeism, through emergency trucks and cars. However, production has been seriously crippled, and schedules are behind.

Inter-racial community meetings were being held and scheduled throughout the city. In West Philadelphia, there was a large mixed gathering at the White Rock Baptist Church, organized by the Conference of Baptist Ministers. In North Philadelphia another meeting was held at Dr. Rankin's church.

Hundreds of thousands of leaflets, urging calmness, inter-racial unity and support for the government action in enforcing equal hiring were distributed throughout the city by the Philadelphia CIO Committee for Political Action, the NAACP, local clubs of the Communist Political Association, the Metropolitan Council for Equal Job Opportunity, and other organizations.

Mayor Bernard Samuel, who has been denounced for inaction in the situation, was finally forced to go on the air last night and urge a return to work.

The city has been calm since Tuesday night's sporadic disorders, with only a few minor incidents reported.

All Parties in Bronx GI Vote Rally Tonight

Local Republican, Democratic, American Labor Party and Communist leaders will address a large open air rally at Cramer Square in the Bronx tonight in connection with the drive for the soldier vote.

The rally is sponsored by the Hunts Point Committee for the Servicemen's Vote, headed by Harold H. Lowy, commander of the Pvt. Cramer Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Besides Mr. Lowy, the meeting will be addressed by Assemblyman Arthur Wachtel, Republican Assembly candidate Thomas Kenney of the 5th Assembly District; Leo Isaacson, Representative and ALP candidate for Assembly in the 12th; Isidore Begun, Bronx County chairman of the Communist Political Association; Leon Wofsy, Bronx County chairman of American Youth for Democracy, and by several trade union leaders.

Vistula Crossed; Warsaw Flanked

LONDON, Aug. 3 (UP).—Powerful Soviet forces have smashed across the mighty Vistula River, the last great natural defense barrier before Germany, and have captured

the Polish city of Staszow, 100 miles from German Silesia, in a great offensive, outflanking Warsaw to the south, Moscow revealed tonight. Staszow, 115 miles south of Warsaw, was captured after Marshal Ivan S. Konev's First Ukrainian Army established bridgeheads 19 miles wide on the west bank of the Vistula and as much as 15½ miles deep.

Using every means of river transportation, from ferries, to dinghies, rowboats and even barrels and logs, the powerful Russian army smashed across the river southwest of Sandomierz, one of the two major railroad crossings south of Warsaw.

OUTFLANK WARSAW

The great Soviet drive, that cracked all Nazi hopes of stemming the Red Army flood across the southern Polish plains to highly industrialized German Silesia, not only outflanked Warsaw from the south, but threatened to split the German lines between Warsaw and Krakow, the last great Polish city before the Reich.

The crossing of the Vistula, an accomplishment as great as the forcing of the Dniepr and Dniestr Rivers in the early stages of the great Soviet offensive that has driven the Germans more than 1,000 miles from Stalingrad, was one of the heaviest blows dealt the German High Command in the fast-moving summer offensive.

For the past three days, the Germans had reported that Soviet troops had crossed the Vistula and today, for the second straight day the Nazis reported heavy fighting in the Staszow region.

Staszow lies 13 miles from the Vistula and 27 miles west of Sandomierz, where the Przemyśl-Lodz railroad crossed the great stream. It also is 62 miles northeast of Krakow. More than 50 other towns and settlements were swept up as the Russians advanced from the Vistula.

Meanwhile between Przemyśl and the Carpathian mountains, other troops of Konev's army captured Sanok, 30 miles southwest of Przemyśl and cut the last east-west railroad supplying the German troops in the Carpathian foothills.

The town guards the approaches to the Radoszyce highway to Czechoslovakia, 18 miles from Sanok.

CUT CARPATHIAN LINE

While Moscow's operational communiques reported these triumphs, a Soviet broadcast quoting front reports, said that Gen. Ivan C. Bagramian's First Baltic Army in Latvia yesterday crossed the Lielupe River and advanced to a point nine miles northeast of Jelgava.

This report indicated that Bagramian's troops now were within 14 miles southwest of Riga, capital of Latvia.

At the same time, Gen. Ivan D. Cherniakhovsky's Third White Russian Army battled to the gates of East Prussia, pumping shells into German border towns as Moscow dispatches indicated that other Russian troops had entered the eastern section of Warsaw.

Union Heads Taking Reconversion Class

A class in problems of reconversion and the postwar world, beginning in the Jefferson School next Monday morning, has already enrolled district officials of unions, shop stewards, rank-and-file union members, leaders of many other kinds of organizations, and members of the general public.

Led by Marcel Scherer of the United Electrical Workers and others, the class will discuss methods of preventing a postwar crisis and placing postwar production and consumption on a high level.

Mead May Get Truman Post

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—Sen. Harry S. Truman (D-Mo.), President Roosevelt's fourth term running mate, today resigned as chairman and member of the Senate War Investigating Committee, and it appeared likely that Sen. James M. Mead (D-N. Y.) would be chosen as his successor at a committee meeting tomorrow.

Stepping down because he is a vice-presidential candidate, Truman rejected pleas by some members to stay through the political campaign. He explained he did not want "even the shadow of suspicion" that committee activities were "motivated by political considerations."

Court Rule Aids Harlem Project

Title to the site of Abraham Lincoln House, a proposed low-rent housing project to be built in East Harlem, now vests in the New York City Housing Authority as a result of an order issued by the Supreme Court of the State of New York yesterday.

Edmond B. Butler, the Authority's chairman, stated that this action directs the condemnation of the site, the area between East 132 and East 135 Sts. and Park and Fifth Aves.

"Although we expect that the war will delay for some time the demolition of the buildings on the site, and the construction of the project, we are gratified to have this order," Butler said, "because it makes it possible for us to proceed as soon as conditions permit." Meanwhile, owners and occupants who are now in possession will be allowed to remain, Mr. Butler added.

Abraham Lincoln Houses, which will cost about \$8,836,000, will be built with loan funds from the state.

This order is the second of its kind issued this week. The first, issued the day before, condemned the site of the proposed project in Brooklyn to be known as Marcy Houses.

Kennedy and GOP Try to Upset People's Verdict

Unwilling to accept the verdict of the electorate, Rep. Martin J. Kennedy, as well as Republican spokesmen, are trying to figure out how to upset Tuesday's primary results, in which Congressman Vito Marcantonio won the nomination of all three parties in the 18th congressional district.

Kennedy, who was Marcantonio's defeated opponent in the Democratic primary, blamed it all on the activity of the CIO Political Action Committee which, he seemed to think, made the result invalid. As a matter of fact, what the CIO did was to aid in explaining the issues to the voters. The voters did the rest. What Kennedy was evidently angry about was the fact that the voters knew what the score was.

In an open bid for backing, Kennedy said he would file as an independent candidate against Marcantonio if some "patriotic" organization would contribute funds for his campaign.

That something along the lines of a concerted drive against Marcantonio by reactionary and partisan

Yanks on Brest Road After Taking Rennes

ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, London, Aug. 3 (UP).—Rennes, capital of Brittany and largest French city yet liberated, fell today to American armored forces which slammed on toward Brest at a mile-an-hour pace and rounded up willing prisoners on the wholesale scale of the last days of 1918.

The capture of Rennes was announced in Washington by U. S. Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson. Slashing out in three directions from the base of Brittany against light resistance, the Yanks took Rennes in a 39-mile drive south from Avranches and Mortain in an 18-mile push into the heart of France and reached Dinan on the Brest road in a 34-mile westward spurt.

RAIL HUB FOR BRITANNY
Rennes is the rail hub for all Brittany and has a metropolitan population of nearly 90,000, considerably more than either Cherbourg or Caen. Pausing only long enough to take on gas and ammunition, our armor smashed on to the south and was nearing the halfway point of the 100-mile trip to Nantes in a drive to shear off the whole Breton Peninsula.

The armored onslaught was gaining momentum with every hour. One westward to Combourg, 20 miles north of Rennes. Another was attacking Dol-de-Bretagne, capital of the ancient Brittany, which was by-passed in the drive to Dinan.

Late reports said the Americans were pounding well beyond Dinan toward Brest, the debarkation point of the first AEF, 120 miles to the west at the tip of the peninsula.

NAZIS FORCE TRAP
Back in Normandy, the Yanks were straightening their line with a rush as the Germans fell back in precipitate retreat from the collapsing Tessa-Percy salient, and driving closer toward a link with the British front at Vire, which now was occupied.

Four German divisions were threatened with entrapment in the closing loop as the Yanks captured St. Pol, Morigny and Beau Mensnil and drove within half a mile of St. Sever-Calvados, half-way between Villedieu and Vire.

The Germans turned and struck back savagely with upward of 50 tanks Thursday morning in the British sector on the river Noireau about 15 miles east of Vire, and scored some penetrations in our advance line before artillery and rocket-firing typhoon planes could bring the counterattack under control. At last reports, savage fighting still was underway in the vicinity.

Patrols entering Vire found that the Germans had wrecked the city and carried off everything of any value, with SS units having gone on an orgy of pillage during the last few hours of enemy occupancy, French civilians said.

CIO Signs Pact With Squibbs

The CIO Gas, Coke & Chemical Workers Union has won the first signed contract with E. R. Squibb & Co., largest drug firm in the country, Fred Hamilton, organizer, announced yesterday. Fourteen hundred in some 16 departments are covered.

The agreement, which thus puts Squibb in the union column for the first time in 85 years, provides premium pay for night work, six holidays a year now, more when the executive order limiting holidays is lifted, seniority, grievance machinery and arbitration procedure. Questions of wage increases and union security go to the War Labor Board with management assurance that directives will be incorporated into the signed agreement. The contract was won by the union's Local 138, which now plans to organize the rest of Brooklyn Squibb.



The Red Army has outflanked Warsaw from the south by crossing the Vistula River, last great river barrier before the plains of German Silesia, 100 miles to the west. Marshal Konev's 1st Ukrainian Army established bridgeheads on the west bank as much as 15½ miles deep. In the Baltics the Red Armies were squeezing the trapped Nazis tighter into an ever-narrowing ring of steel.

Yanks Tighten Pocket Against Foe on Guam

U.S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Aug. 3 (UP).—American ground forces on Guam have pressed forward two more miles over brush-tangled terrain compressing the remaining Japanese on the island into a seven-

by-ten mile pocket where the enemy apparently has chosen to make a stand, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today.

More than 12,800 Japanese have been killed in the twin operations on Guam and Saipan, Nimitz's communique disclosed.

The Japanese were driven into the limestone plateau country at the northern end of Guam as the U. S. Marines and Army forces counted 7,893 enemy dead. The death toll on Tinian now is estimated at more than 5,000.

Stiffened enemy resistance is being encountered on Guam, the communique reported, and the Marines and soldiers are battling dense undergrowth and heavy mud as well as determined Japanese.

On captured Tinian Island, 120 miles to the north, the American flag was raised in formal ceremony yesterday while Marines of the Second and Fourth Divisions continued the task of digging out scattered enemy remnants from caves and dugouts.

South Carolina For Roosevelt

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 3.—President Roosevelt's strength in the South was demonstrated anew yesterday, when the South Carolina state Democratic convention ordered its eight presidential electors to vote for Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman.

The much-advertised revolt that was to sweep the South out of the Roosevelt column did not develop. The convention's action, as a matter of fact, was unanimous. The motion to stand by the Roosevelt-Truman ticket was made by State Senator Edgar A. Brown of Barnwell.

Defeat of Senator Cotton Ed Smith, bitter anti-Roosevelt man, in the recent primaries had its effect on the convention's decision.

Brazen Call for Anti-Soviet Bloc In Pole Rome Show

The real obstacle to unity of all Polish patriots was dramatized yesterday in the form of a Polish Exhibition in Rome, organized by the government-in-exile, which openly announced its intention to build a "Central European Federation" as a buffer against the Soviet Union.

The exhibition, according to Times and Tribune reports from Rome, is being held under the auspices of the Gen. Kazimierz Sosnkowski, commander in chief of the government in exile's armed forces. This is the real reactionary power of the exiled regime. Sosnkowski's armies are now fighting on Italian soil.

Three maps were presented at the exhibition. One showed the Soviet Union's vast land expanse, and criticized the "imperialism" of her claims to Byelorussian and Ukrainian territory.

The other showed Poland's territorial claims over the past thousand years, at times stretching beyond Smolensk, Kiev and Odessa. **POLISH REACTIONARY MAP**

The third plugged for a Central European Federation, which would include the Baltic Soviet republics, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Greece, as

well as Poland.

This is the old reactionary Polish scheme for dominating Eastern Europe, and has often been criticized by the USSR.

The shocking thing is that at this late date, the Polish reactionaries still hold on to the idea.

Its anti-Soviet character is obvious from the fact that it would include three Soviet republics as well as Czechoslovakia—a Soviet ally. And it would mix together enemy states like Hungary, Bulgaria and Romania, with allied nations like Greece and Yugoslavia.

The exhibition, opened the day that Churchill again supported the Soviet position on Poland and on the very day that the Polish premier, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, was meeting with Molotov underlines the real problem of Polish unity.

For unity is impossible with the kind of men who organize such exhibitions and proclaim their Munichite views so arrogantly and so stubbornly.

Nor is it likely that Mikolajczyk will find a place for himself with the Polish Committee of National Liberation unless he breaks with the Sosnkowski mentality and conducts a real fight against it.

Dewey, GOP Governors Dig Up States' Rights

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—In one of the crudest exhibitions of political bankruptcy ever presented to the nation, 26 Republican governors met here with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York for two days and came up tonight with—"states' rights."

The vital issues of the war and the coming peace were left untouched in the widely advertised sessions here. The urgent problems of reconversion and soldiers' employment were ducked in a welter of general terms that mean next to nothing.

Even on states' rights, which was the foundation stone of the conference, the governors were obliged to hedge to some extent in order to keep in touch with reality. They endorsed federal contributions "under certain conditions" to help pay for public works, the National Guard and highway construction. They then raised a straw man, laying stress on the need for "private business through an enterprise system" in postwar America, with which practically nobody will disagree. Their effort was the ancient one of trying to make out that the Roosevelt administration opposes what it is for.

The wording of the 14-point program that Dewey presented to the Republican governors indicated that it was a studied effort to ignore the war and to evade the bankruptcy of the GOP in regard to the speeding of victory. The strong introduction of the "states rights" issue was obviously for the purpose of creating endless artificial discussion on points totally divorced from the conduct of the war and from the building of an enduring peace.

PARTISAN GOAL

A chief object of the conference—to speed the Republican political activities in the states whose election machinery is in these governors' hands—came out more strongly as the proceedings went on. Back of all the facade of synthetic statesmanship here was the scheming of Republican politicians to inject the maximum of partisan bickering into the campaign. Knowing the weakness of the Republican Party position on the war and the peace, the effort is to make a mountain out of

molehill on so-called "domestic issues."

The moving of the state Republican bosses into the campaign with their machines was the biggest job Dewey had on his hands. At the Chicago Republican convention they had emphasized that the state bosses will have to be "in" on the campaign and that the state machines will have to be taken into consideration.

After the session had ended tonight, with their final flurry of "states' rights" and patent-medicine generalities, it is announced that Dewey would stay over here tomorrow to meet with Missouri GOP politicians. He will leave for New York tomorrow evening.

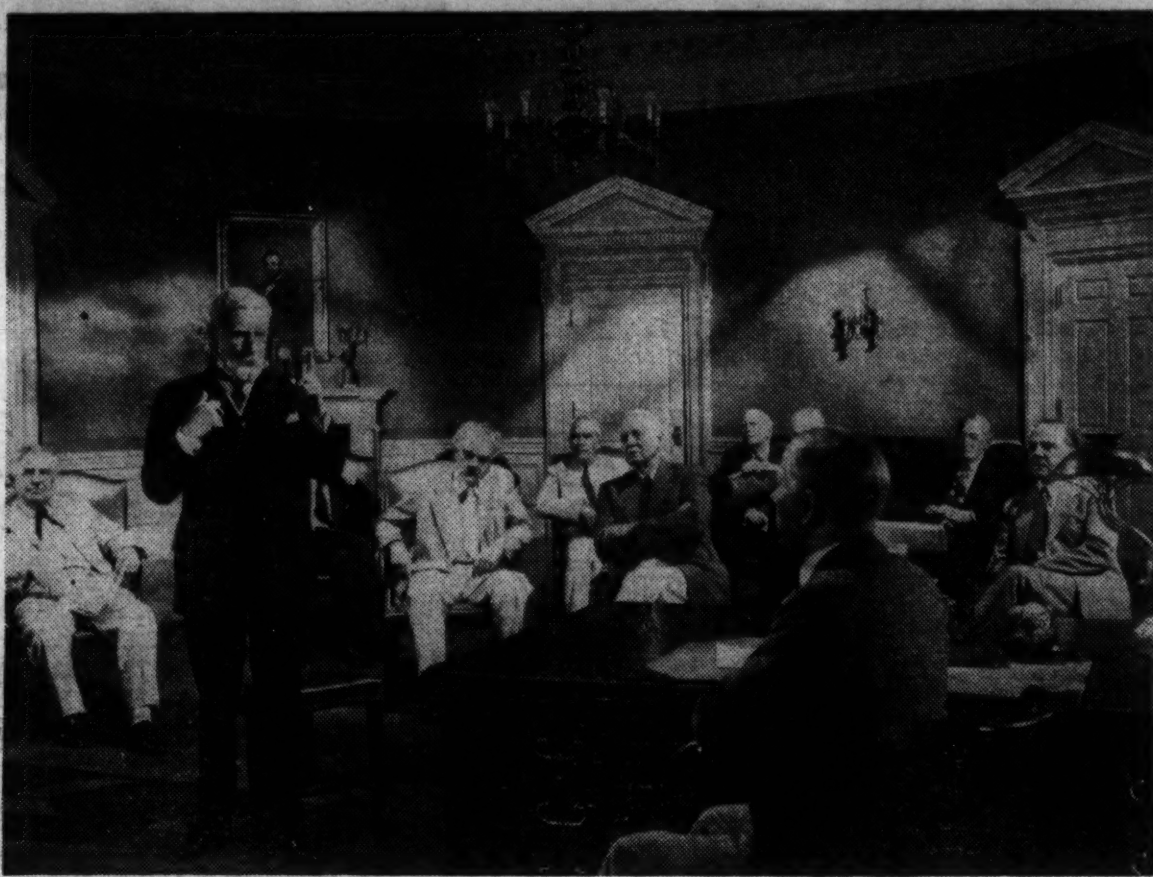
New Literary Tests for 4-F's

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—Draft director Lewis B. Hershey tonight ordered local boards to re-examine all registrants between 18 and 25 who are classified 4F because of educational or mental deficiency.

Boards will use a new series of tests designed to determine educational and mental qualifications more accurately. The new yardstick had been in use at induction centers since June 1. Those who pass will be classified 1A and made subject to induction.

Selective Service headquarters said the order is in line with an attempt to draft all available manpower in the 18-25 age group.

The Federal Security Agency reported meanwhile that more than 250,000 registrants, previously rejected because of syphilis, have been reclaimed through treatment. Some 125,000 already have been inducted and 140,000 more are available unless disqualified on other grounds.



A gripping scene in the motion picture "Wilson" which opened in New York this week. Sen. Lodge (Sir Cedric Hardwicke), head of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, tells the President: "I, too, have my ideals and one of them is peace. But a realistic peace that we can surely maintain." Wilson (Alexander Knox) replies: "America has but two choices, gentlemen, it must accept a League of Nations or it must live with a gun in its hand."

Wilson Film Wins Critics' Acclaim, Draws Sniping from Dewey Camp

By DAVID PLATT

Now that the New York film critics have expressed themselves in no uncertain terms in favor of the Wilson film, the editorial writers are beginning to have their say. In some cases the editorials differ strongly with the film reviews. The World-Telegram is a case in point.

Yesterday's editorial blast against the picture in that paper contradicted movie reviewer Alton Cook's claim that the film may well serve as a model for the makers of the "current cycle of films." The World-Telegram editorial referred to the picture sarcastically as a campaign document for Roosevelt, a film that "should be effective New Deal propaganda for the present generation of voters which never knew much about the Wilson era, will never detect the elisions, the omissions, and the distortions by which the characters of Woodrow Wilson has been so adroitly modeled into the image of Franklin Roosevelt."

This is the attitude that will doubtless be taken by all the die-hard reactionaries in the Hoover-Dewey camp.

N. Y. POST SPLIT

On the other hand the New York Post editorial writer liked the film much more than Archer Winsten, its movie critic. Winsten found it "disappointing both as entertainment and as hard-hitting education for the problems that are to come before us again." He said it "exaggerates the current Hollywood mania for overwhelming production values." It did not "dig deeply into the conflicts involved." He urged those who feared the picture as "potent fourth-term propaganda" not to agitate themselves.

The Post editorial writer brought him down to earth with this sizzling evaluation of the picture:

"Wilson's story is not ended yet. It is kept fresh by the excellent job Alexander Knox—something of a newcomer as a movie star—does as the president. The picture makes clear Wilson was not a lonely, slightly cracked idealist. He rose to power as the mouthpiece of the hopes of the great mass of the American people. Above all the American people realize that in the words of Knox's Wilson, 'the isolation of America is over, for peace or for war.'"

He added force to his point by mentioning that on the same day that the movie Wilson opened in New York, the people of Missouri won a smashing victory over isolationist Senator Bennett Champ Clark.

The majority of the film reviewers praised the film as a commanding screen biography, a milestone

in the art of bringing the past to life by throwing the brilliant light of the present on it. Bosley Crowther of the Times said "the picture should inspire millions of people throughout this land to renewed appreciation of its subject's ideals and especially of his trials, which may be ours."

Charles Wyer of the Sun called it a powerful film biography and a "considerable emotional experience," although "some will see" in the episode of the fight in the Senate, "propaganda in support of groups who are bound to come to the fore when the next peace is decided."

Kate Cameron gave it four stars in the Daily News and urged every American who can to see it. The controversial aspects have been handled in a "judicial manner," she said. "The present administration is no more favored than the party opposed to it." But according to John T. McManus, PM film critic, the Daily News-Washington Times-Herald axis "has already attacked it sight unseen as fourth term propaganda."

The Wilson film is "without question the most important motion picture of its time," said McManus.

"With the nation once more on the threshold of choice between isolationism and true world cooperation, between private initiative and continued rehabilitation of democracy, between a universal dominion of right and niggardly self-interest and blind political vengeance, it is difficult to imagine a more significant and compelling lesson from our own past than that contained in the tragic story of the defeat of Wilson idealism by the Republican Party of 25 years ago." PM supporter McManus the following day with eight full pages of text and pictures, including two editorials.

Howard Barnes gave it a superb send-off in the Herald Tribune. It's a "challenging segment of American history... constructed with great honesty and imagination... History played straight is something that Hollywood rarely does... Wilson should convince producers that it pays dividends."

Rose Felswick of the Hearst Journal-American called it picture making at its best. She liked it all the better because "it does not take sides and it does not edi-

torialize" but presents facts. But the movie critic of the Hearst Daily Mirror, who also went overboard on the film, said it had "considerable propaganda" in it. He wondered "whether it was smart or politic to issue the film during an election campaign in which some parallels may be found is a question to be answered only by time and wiser heads than these which sit on a movie critic's neck." believe his boss may be preparing an editorial on the subject that will satisfy him on that score.

But despite differences among the movie critics as to the meaning and effect of the Wilson film, there is unanimity—with one exception—that the film is a great cinematic achievement, one that will influence the production of historical films for years to come.

Ask Union Poll at Navy Yard Depot

Backed by a petition signed by nearly 3,000 workers, the CIO United Federal Workers next Thursday will call upon Capt. Charles D. Kirk, supply officer in command, to hold a collective bargaining election at the Brooklyn Navy yard clothing depot. The depot employs approximately 5,000.

The application, the first move for such an election in a Navy establishment, is sought as a preliminary to the reopening of negotiations with the Navy on pay scales, grievance machinery and favoritism in upgrading workers.

Wages at the depot, according to union officials, are as much as 60 per cent below private industry rates for the same work in the New York area, despite some gains won through union pressure.

Bank of Italy Head Arrested in Rome

ROME, Aug. 2 (UP).—Dr. Vincenzo Azzolini, governor of the Bank of Italy during the German occupation, is under arrest and awaits trial on a charge of handing the bank's gold stocks to the Nazis, it was announced today. Azzolini was removed as governor when the Allies captured Rome.

Union Lookout

- Memorial to a Hero
- Union Leader and Soldier

by Dorothy Loeb



Negotiations are under way for a contract between the CIO Gas, Coke & Chemical Workers and the New York Quinine Co. The union won an election there some time back and is now collective bargaining agent. That's good news for the people that work there, but it might not even rate comment if it weren't for something that happened just about the same time on the other side of the ocean.

On D-Day, Second Lt. Rudolph Skrek of the U. S. Infantry went ashore on the French west coast. He was killed by a Nazi bullet. He was the fellow who first started organizing at New York Quinine. He got fired for it. His dismissal took him into organizing on a full-time basis. He became president of old District 50 of the United Mine Workers in Queens before Lewis deserted CIO principles. Skrek, a handsome, blond youngster, was inducted into the army before New York District 50 locals came out in a body and joined the CIO. In the army, he was sent to OCS and landed in the infantry by choice because he wanted to be up front in the fighting.



In Rudy's memory, a gift of \$50 has been sent to Union Lookout through Hannah Stern, one of his close friends. Her office associates collected the money and sent it to her with a note.

"Rudolph Skrek, whom some of us had the privilege of knowing, was the finest type of American, who devoted his boundless enthusiasm and energy to the extension of democracy for the people," said the note.

"True to his life-long conviction, he made the greatest sacrifice of all on D-Day, which we shall always remember as the fruition of the United Nations policy which he championed.

"As a very small token of our respect and affection for Rudy and for you, who have so courageously pledged to work doubly hard to make up for his loss, we ask you to turn over this contribution to the cause that was closest to his heart and work.

"At the same time, we want you to know that his example will inspire us all to greater efforts than ever before to crush the enemy he fought so gallantly and to build a world where men like Rudy can live and work and love in peace."

Union Lookout also received this week \$20 raised by members of the staff of Local 1225 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers and \$5, sent through a member of the AFL Bakers Union by a bakery employer who happens to be a German American. This brings the column's total to well over \$100 to date. We'll still be glad to receive additional gifts for the Daily Worker press fund.

TWU, Striving to End Strike In Phila., Fights Job Bias

CIO Transport Workers Union officials, working night and day to restore transportation to Philadelphia's strike-bound bus, subway and "el" lines, are carrying forward a fight for equal job opportunity which has been part of the union's policy since its inception. The TWU has always, like all CIO unions, barred discriminatory practices. But over and beyond constitutional provisions, it has a record of concrete achievement.



A plea to Philadelphia transport strikers—Anthony Gallagher, organizer of the CIO Transport Workers Union, puts a back-to-work demand before motormen and drivers who left subways, buses and "els" paralyzed because of anti-Negro propaganda.

In 1941, when a fighting movement, led by the Rev. A. Clayton Powell, Jr., of the People's Committee, Hope Stevens of the National Negro Congress and Roger Straughn of the Harlem Labor Union demanded transportation jobs for Negroes, the union extended a helping hand. The result was that in the New York Omnibus Co. contract that was signed a unique provision was incorporated which provided that 200 Negroes would be taken on before any white help would be employed. A fixed minimum percentage of Negro employment is provided for.

Approximately 11 percent of New York City's 35,000 transit workers are Negroes, and Negro and white work harmoniously together.

The Third Ave. Transit Corp. dropped its all-white hiring policies during the war. City-owned lines have long employed Negroes, but the IRT and BMT, which formerly permitted such workers to rise only as high as guards and conductors, now offer them posts as motormen as well.

The TWU local in New Orleans has an outstanding record in fighting for the American principles of equal job opportunities. The membership there is both Negro and white, with Negroes in the majority. The local leadership is chiefly Negro. Harmonious Negro-white relations prevail in the other TWU locals.

Aluminum Metal Output to Be Ended at 2 Plants, Cut at 3rd

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—The War Production Board announced tonight that aluminum metal production will be terminated at two Government-owned plants and output curtailed in a third as result of an increasing ingot surplus. [A Queens, L. I., aluminum

plant was closed several months ago.]

Production will be stopped in plants at Riverbank, Calif., and Burlington, N. J., where the cutbacks will release a total of 575 workers, but both plants will be kept in standby condition and will continue to alloy aluminum ingot, with 150 workers retained at each.

The Torrance plant, Los Angeles, will reduce its production by one-third, subsequently releasing 130 employees. WPB said the production reduction in this plant will result in a substantial saving of fuel oil.

The total cutback, WPB said, represents the shutting down of four polines having a monthly capacity of 12,000,000 pounds. The three plants, owned by the Defense Plant Corp., are operated by the Aluminum Co. of America.

The War Manpower Commission advised WPB that since the Burlington and Los Angeles plants are in tight labor areas, employment will be available for displaced workers in other war plants and the U. S. Employment Service will refer released workers to new jobs. WPB said the River Bank plant recently suffered a manpower shortage as a result of increased agricultural activity in the area and was selected for termination because of relatively high cost of production.

The new monthly production output at the Los Angeles plant will be 6,000,000 pounds, WPB said.

Red Tape Useful In Army Conference

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—Not all Army red tape is useless, it developed today at Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson's press conference.

Rep tape was used to mark the advancing Allied lines on huge maps in his conference room.

Moreover, it appeared Allied operations in Italy have been on a "shoestring" basis. The contrasting black line on the map marking the Allied front July 27 proved on close inspection to have been improvised with shoestrings.

Negroes Name War Ballot Day

The Baptist Ministerial Alliance of Greater New York, consisting of more than 200 Negro churches, yesterday unanimously endorsed Sunday, Aug. 6, as War Ballot Sunday. Action came as a result of an appeal made by Thelma Dale on behalf of the National Negro Congress and the Negro Labor Victory Committee, who jointly have initiated a campaign to get war ballots to Negro servicemen from New York State.

In responding to the appeal, the Rev. Thomas Eldridge, president of the Ministers' Alliance, stated, "We are happy to join with the Negro Labor Victory Committee and the National Negro Congress in this campaign to get ballots to our boys. The churches must fulfill their responsibility to the community in ways such as this."

The Congress and the Labor Victory Committee are appealing to all ministers to urge their congregations to send applications for war ballots to servicemen from New York State right away in order that they may vote in the November elections. The applications must be returned, signed by the servicemen, by Sept. 1.

Applications will be distributed at the churches on War Ballot Sunday.

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O'Dwyer Slated for Brigadier General

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—The White House today sent to the Senate the nomination of Col. William O'Dwyer, former district attorney of Kings County, Brooklyn, to be a temporary Brigadier General.

News Capsules

Birthday Gift From Saipan

Andrew Burke, a Navy Yard worker, who resides in New York City, celebrating his 68th birthday yesterday, received as a gift a letter informing him that his four sons who took part in the invasion of Saipan, were safe, and wished him "a happy birthday." The letter from the Burke boys, who number two lieutenant-colonels, a captain and a technical sergeant, expressed the hope the war would be over by the time their father had another birthday. Papa Burke began work at the Navy Yard after 15 years of retirement "partly to help my country and partly to keep me from thinking too much about the boys."

Ridgewood, N. J., neighbors were pointing with pride to the home of Maj. Thomas B. McGuire Jr., who is now the leading active ace in the Pacific area. He downed his 21st Japanese plane on one of the longest combat raids ever made by a P-38 recently.

Ben B. Hofstadter of 1558 East 26th St., Brooklyn, was honored as the nation's champion blood donor and awarded the red-white and blue blood donor badge. Hofstadter, assistant to the real estate agent of the Consolidated Edison Co., has donated three gallons of blood—the 24th donation on July 24th. He is chairman of the Blood Donor Service of the B'nai B'rith War Service Council, which has recruited 3,800 blood donors. "I consider blood donations the most

urgent individual contribution to the war's progress," the champ said.

At Chicago, a spray of bullets ended the unsavory career of Lawrence Mangano, 54, member of the old Al Capone gang, and his bodyguard, Michael Pontillo. Reminiscent of prohibition days, three gunmen in a black sedan drew along side the car in which Mangano, Pontillo and a woman were riding, and opened fire with shotguns and .45 caliber pistols. Police believe gambling was behind the murder.

The tuberculosis death rate among the Negro people in New York, N. J., is the highest in the nation, the United States Public Health Service at Washington reported. For every 100,000 persons in the area 275 succumb from the disease.

With all quotas oversubscribed during the Fifth War Loan drive which ended on July 31st by 25 percent, a new world record was set for a war financing operation, according to Secretary of the Treasury Henry J. Morgenthau Jr. However, incomplete tabulations of final returns in New York City reveal E Bond sales are still 10 percent short of our goal. Bronx, Queens and Richmond went over the top; Brooklyn's still lagging with 3.9 percent of their quota achieved.

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Election Trends

THE NEW YORK TIMES pretends to see no trend in Tuesday's primaries. To bolster this position it points to the defeat of Senator Clark in Missouri for renomination, while the "even more vulnerable" Ham Fish won the GOP nomination, in New York. Further to convince itself of the absence of a "clear cut trend," the Times asks us to view the Marcantonio victory in all three parties.

But to the ordinary person the trend seems clear. The primaries on Tuesday showed the same trend already expressed in previous primaries in all parts of the country. Why did Senators Pepper and Hill defeat their opponents in Florida and Alabama? Why were such Congressmen as Dies, Starnes, Costello and such Senators as "Cotton" Ed Smith defeated? Why did Marcantonio, Powell, Buckley and O'Toole win in New York? And why did the vote for Fish decline to a bare 55 percent in the GOP?

These results, and others in Ohio, California, Arkansas, Virginia and elsewhere, show a clear trend of the voters in all parties to support those candidates closest to the war policies of President Roosevelt. In some cases this trend was stronger than in others, depending upon the degree of organization and unity achieved by the win-the-war forces, and the extent to which the issues were made clear to the voters. But everywhere the trend is to be seen.

The People's Primaries

The hue and cry of the Times and the Herald Tribune over the smashing victory of Marcantonio, as well as the attacks from reactionary forces the country over, against the CIO and its political activities, is in reality an outcry against the people's participation in the primaries as against leaving it to a small group of party bosses to select candidates. In reality, this is an outcry against democracy. Under our two-party system, if the people wish to exercise their democratic rights they cannot stand aside in the selection of candidates by the parties and limit themselves to the choice of one or two candidates presented in the final elections. The people must have a voice in choosing the candidates of the respective parties.

One important admission, however, was made by the Herald Tribune when it emphasized the defeat of Clark and the renomination of Fish. It is a fact that the Cotton Ed Smiths, Clarks, Dies, and their kind are being defeated in the Democratic Party, while the Fishes, Days, Hoffmans, Nyes have all won renomination in the GOP.

The GOP leaders have for some time urged the voters to elect a Republican President, because only such a President could have the support of Congress. Dewey, they say, could better manage than Roosevelt. The defeat of Clark and the renomination of Fish despite Dewey's belated "opposition" would tend to demolish this false argument too.

The fact is that Dewey could not even manage to eliminate one defeatist Congressman in his own state. This is no accident. Dewey's belated "opposition" to Fish cannot cover up the fact that the Days, Fishes, Hoffmans, Nyes, Brooks, and the other GOP darlings of the Hoovers and McCormicks are part and parcel of the GOP leadership, as is McCormick's direct representative, Kemper, the national treasurer of the GOP.

Vandenberg's Game

WHILE WAR'S necessities continue to demand the nation's first attention, there is growing awareness of the urgent need for legislative action insuring planned and orderly reconversion to civilian output. Victories on the battlefronts spur this awareness.

However, when even that Republican wheelhorse, Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg, suddenly began to cry for speed, there was doubt how to receive him. Vandenberg has now clarified us. He's in a violent hurry to go in the wrong direction. Speed is what you want, he says. O.K., here's a bill.

But the George bill, popped out of the Senate Finance Committee, has nothing but speed to recommend it. It completely lacks guarantees to workers of unemployment compensation during reconversion. It tears the heart out of proposals governing the human side of the change-over.

All of labor, AFL, CIO and Railroad Brotherhoods, the National Farmers Union and other people's organizations, support the principles of the Kilgore bill. They must now demand congressional hearings and insist that speed be applied not to a synthetic measure but the real thing.

To Tell the Truth

On a High Job

By Robert Minor

LIKE several other American cartoonists, Fred Ellis began as a sign painter. Once a sign painter, you like forever to talk about it. "You're always going some new place, and people see you doing something, and if it's on the street level they come and talk to you; or if you're on a high job, they stop and look up at you and you like it."

One day in 1919, Fred went out on a job painting a sign full length across the fifth story of the building of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co., in Chicago.

During the noon hour, while Fred and his helper were down eating their lunch, a fellow who worked there tried to show that he knew how to raise and lower the swing stage and to fix the hitch in the rope to hold it; but by mistake he made it a slipknot instead of a friction knot, and when Fred stepped on the stage to work, it fell with him five stories; he broke all of his bones, legs, arms, back and feet. For two years he couldn't paint signs so he lay around and thought and read and practiced making cartoons. He made some for the Chicago Federation of Labor's weekly paper. John Reed, the Communist leader, came to see him. Art Young came. I came. I told Fred he would become one of the few really great cartoonists of our time. He did. I also told him he should join the Communist Party. He did, and this had a lot to do with his becoming a great artist; and if you don't know this, someone needs to tell you about life.



three stories, but he landed on the roof of a milk wagon and there was no damage. Fred was without any nerves and felt good when he got high.

On this 22-story job Fred and his helper got their staging and block and tackle, paint buckets and brushes onto the roof, when the helper looked over the edge to the street and said he didn't feel good, Fred told him, "Then you mustn't work on the stage today; go back to the shop, report sick and tell the shop foreman to send another helper."

Half an hour later the new helper came, a man Fred had not seen before. Together they fixed the grapples over the coping, adjusted the blocks and tackle and eased the stage over the edge, letting it down three feet or so, put out the buckets and tools and climbed over.

Climbing over, each holding the fall rope at his own end of the stage, they played it out till they were just above the windows of the 22d floor. Fred called out to the helper to stop lowering and hitch the rope. He made the hitch at his end, and then looked at the helper. The man was fumbling, holding onto the rope tightly with one hand, clamping his legs tight around the stage walk, and trying to make the hitch.

He did not know how. He was making a slip knot instead of a hitch.

Fred had to talk easy. He could not move away from his own end to help because the weight all at one end would likely tear the rope from the helper's hand and send them all down. Fred said in a matter-of-fact way, not loud: "Hold tight on the rope with your right hand; o. k.; now pass the

loose rope under the stirrup. Catch it with your left hand, and pull it through the stirrup. Now make an overhead loop in the rope, for a friction-hitch on the hook below the lower block; no, not that way; hold the rope in the palm of your hand, o. k.; now turn your hand over to the left." The helper looped it the wrong way; that way it would slip. Fred said, "Just keep holding, and take the loose part in the palm of your left hand. That's right. Now turn your hand over; not that way, the other way; that's right. Now loop it. That's right. Now on the hook below the block just the way you have it." It was done right.

Both Fred and the helper climbed back onto the roof. Fred asked him: "Did you ever have any experience?" The helper answered "No." He added: "I guess I'm through."

Fred said, "No, I wouldn't turn you up. But why did you come on a high job like this and say you had had experience?" The man replied: "I needed the job."

WHEN Fred told this story, a woman spoke up, saying: "That reminds me of Dewey." I said: "No, that's too simple an analogy."

A second woman asked Fred: "What did you do when you found the man had had no experience?" Fred replied: "We knocked off work for the day."

"Can a sign-painter knock off work like that?" the first woman asked. Fred answered: "Yes, on a high job you can. If it gets on your nerves for any reason after you've swung your stage, you can quit for the day."

The first woman spoke up again and said: "On the job Dewey's trying to get, you can't."

Worth Repeating

BASIL O'CONNOR, new chairman of the American Red Cross and long-time friend of President Roosevelt, interviewed in New York Post of Aug. 2: As an individual the President is one of God's noblemen. He is a gentleman, a scholar, a man of fine ideals. A buoyant man, too. There's nobody better to go to when you're feeling low. By the time you depart, you feel all right. It was that keen, bright spirit, that tremendous humor, which first attracted me to him.

Change the World

YOU can't put a good man down, especially when his name is Barney Froug, the stove repair man.

Friend Barney first one replying to some kind words I had uttered about Catholics who were also anti-fascists. (These cafeteria arguments always get too complicated and finally land up behind jail bars known as parentheses.)

"Your answer is kind, it is soothing, it is nice as all hell," purrs Barney, "BUT," and here his lip curls grimly, and the eyes dart Promethean fire, "BUT you will never put me to sleep on this issue."

No, I cannot be shaken out of the realities I have known and seen. I live in a Long Island neighborhood which is mainly Catholic. The best selling paper here is The Tablet, which is fascist Father Curran's notorious journal of anti-Semitism.

"Little children from the local parochial schools peddle this hate-sheet from door to door, and the more they sell, I am told, the better grades they are given at school."

"And this in New York City, not in Hungary or Germany. I rejoice with you that Archbishop Spellman has spoken out against the Nazi slaughter in Hungary. I hope he will come back and now say something about the Nazism fouling his own dioceses. Christianity



by Mike Gold

begins at home; and the fascism in one's own country is the fascism we are not let off from resisting.

"I can recall your writing, Friend Gold, about the time your own little boy Nick came home from school crying from a beating he had received at the hands of Catholic kids who had evidently just heard about the killing of Christ."

"Where had they learned their racial lies and medieval stupidity, I ask you?"

"Well, think it over, my dear friend, and remember those bitter lines by Countee Cullen:

"All day long and all night through,
One thing only must I do
Quench my pride and cool my blood
Lest I perish in the flood."

FRIEND Barney is eloquent. And Friend Barney is bitter. And if it isn't difficult to understand why every Negro should be bitter about southern lynching and segregation it is more hard to understand why a New York or Boston Jew is about the Coughlinites and Christian Fronters in his particular parish.

Yet one must be practical, even on the most miserable of all the far-flung battlefields of the war. The Christian Front has no enthusiasm for the war on Hitlerism. Yet millions of Catholic boys are in the army and navy, fighting for America. They are destroying the Brown Beast with bomb and

Friend Barney Answers Mike And Gets Another Lesson

bayonet, and their parents and parish priests are backing them up loyally at home.

Thus, the ground is being cut out from under the Christian Fronters at home. The danger will lessen as Hitler and his system are rooted out of Europe and the wide and tortured universe.

Friend Barney, pardon me, but you would make one hell of a general. You would attack the enemy in a headlong drive, like a prize bull in the bullfight arena.

THE matador knows just how to take advantage of the rage of the bull. And Hitler and his Coughlinite agents within the American Catholic Church have tried to place fascism on a religious basis.

When you attack Nazi agents like Curran or Coughlin they wave their priests' robes in your face, and holler that you are an atheist and Catholic-baiter. Their tactic is to put up a smokescreen of religion and race-baiting behind which they can bring fascism to America.

And you, Barney, fall for it, and want to fight them on their own ground. But the military thing to do is to unmask these false religionists and to expose the foul swastika branded on their forehead like the mark of Cain.

That is the true battle; and the Catholic masses, like most of the American people, can be united on such an issue, whereas by inflaming the religious issue they can be split up and plunged into civil wars.

Let's Face It

THE National Maritime Union's weekly, the Pilot, carries a little box on its masthead giving the number of subscriptions bought by members for the folks back home.

When labor papers like the Pilot begin to circulate in large numbers in the hinterland you may expect some pretty powerful political results.

To cite an example. A few months after the great 1939 milk strike in the New York milkshed, I went out to see one of the outstanding leaders of the farmers' union, a dairy farmer living in a small village in the central part of the state.

In the course of a few hours discussion with him I found that he had a remarkable grasp of world problems. He was thoroughly familiar with the struggle for collective security, with the developments in Spain, in China, in Latin America.

He seemed quite at home in discussing trade union developments and problems in the United States and was thoroughly sold on the necessity for farmer-labor cooperation.

I found, too, that he had lived in that small town all his life, had never, as far as he knew, seen a Communist or a "radical" before and had gone only occasionally for a trip to New York or any other city. How, then, I asked him, was he so clear on what was happening in this world of ours?

He explained that one of the youngsters of the town had gone to sea and was regu-



Farmers in 1944—A Vital Pamphlet That the Unions Should Distribute Now

by Max Gordon

larly sending back the Pilot. He studied every issue. It enabled him not only to understand better what was happening, but he believed that it had also equipped him to become the foremost leader of the farmers in that area.

I thought of that experience while wondering how Charles J. Coe's Farmers in 1944, an excellent little pamphlet dealing with the farmer's stake in the elections this fall, could be gotten into the hands of the farmers in large quantities.

THE problem of the farm vote is an extremely ticklish one this year. Trade union and other pro-Roosevelt leaders, often prefer to keep far away from it partly because it is not a pleasant problem from the point of view of FDR's campaign and partly because they don't know what to do about it.

If straw polls are to be believed, the situation is quite serious. The President got an estimated 56 percent of the farm vote in 1936. This had sunk to 45 percent in 1940 and is now down to about 40 percent. There are few states in which the votes of farmers and those they influence politically are not important. Even in the metropolitan state of New York those living in rural areas, that is, in towns of 5,000 or less, comprise a quarter of the state's population.

So drastic a shift in the political thinking of so large a segment of the population cannot but vitally affect the outcome of the election.

Coe's pamphlet is a clear, simple exposition

of the meaning of United Nations policy for the farmer. He discusses the postwar possibilities for realization of the farmer's dream of an economy of abundance and shows how it is dependent upon the execution of the agreements made at Teheran. He analyzes the record of Congress on problems of subsidies and stabilization and traces the effects on the farmer. He takes apart Hoover's program and his speeches. He shows how the so-called "Farm Bloc" operates to the detriment of the farmers.

SUCH a little booklet back home would prove political dynamite in many a town. You can depend on it that it will be carefully studied and discussed. The question is how to get it there.

The main channel, it seems to me, is the labor movement. There are now literally millions of members of trade unions who come from farms and many who are still farming while working in war industry. If the unions through their newspapers, their educational and organizational apparatus were to call this pamphlet to the attention of their members, many who have farm backgrounds would probably get it and send it home.

Then, too, unions and such bodies as the Political Action Committee can consider buying bulk lots to mail to farmers in their areas.

Coe is director of Farm Research at 39 Cortland St., in New York, and edits the Facts for Farmers, a bi-monthly clip-sheet containing valuable information on farm politics.

Bill of Health

By CELIA LANGER

ALMOST 900,000 American lives have been saved annually by the 40 per cent reduction of the death rate in the last 40 years. The National Physicians Committee for the Extension of Medical Service, the front organization for the American Medical Association, attempts to mobilize this phenomenal achievement as a weapon in its unprincipled fight against the Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill. The "American system," says the NPC in 20 million pamphlets, is responsible. By the "American system" the NPC means fee-for-service private practice by individual physicians.



The American Public Health Association challenges the NPC sharply in a recent editorial which states: "Such an argument obviously raises the question of whether American doctors prac-

ticing on the particular system which the National Committee prefers, or the equally 'American' plan of official public service, deserve a major share of the credit for our reduced death rates." The facts lead to obvious conclusions.

SCIENCE BEATING DISEASES

The progress of medical science and public health programs have largely abolished deaths from certain erstwhile common diseases, and considerably reduced others. Diphtheria and typhoid fever have almost disappeared. The work of sanitary engineers in the purification of water supplies and improvement of sanitary conditions, and of public health officers in carrying through a program of immunization and control of this epidemic disease have been primarily responsible for reducing typhoid fever.

Diphtheria has been conquered through the use of antitoxin and later toxoid, and through control by government agencies often in the face of vigorous opposition from the practitioners.

Stooge Outfit for AMA Distorts Gains Of Science to Fight Gov't Medical Bill

Diarrhea no longer threatens the lives of infants since the pasteurization of milk and instruction of mothers in well-baby clinics. Both of these have been accomplished under the leadership of public health authorities.

Over the strenuous opposition of the medical profession, a program for the control of tuberculosis was introduced largely through the leadership of public health departments, public health clinics, and publicly maintained sanatoria. By means of this program, deaths from this terrible disease have been cut down by more than 75 per cent.

It is true that the remarkable decrease in pneumonia mortality is due in large measure to the practicing physicians. But their work was based on the discoveries regarding serum therapy and sulfa drugs made by salaried physicians in the employ of public health laboratories, foundations and universities. The wonder penicillin, also owes its origin to salaried doctors and scientists.

Rather than an argument for the NPC's favored system of private practice, the record points out dramatically the advantages to the people's health of organized public health services. In contrast, the mortality has been only slightly reduced in cancer, heart disease and kidney disease. Public medical programs have played a minimal role in these diseases. No outstanding public program exists for kidney or heart disease. While a cancer research institute under the auspices of the United States Public Health Service does exist, the AMA bitterly fought its establishment a few years ago on the grounds that it was state medicine.

The Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill attacks both phases of the problem. It makes special provision for federal appropriations for the advancement of research in medicine. It also frees people from the fear of incurring costs which they cannot meet under privately practiced medicine.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Two Birthday Greetings

Pennsylvania.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Two birthdays arriving in one day next week, mark an interesting event for the Daily Worker and its readers. One of the owners of our paper, Susan Woodruff, is celebrating her 75th birthday on Aug. 7th. And the same day, one of our brilliant young columnists, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, also celebrates. The number of years she has lived is mounting up so rapidly, I have forgotten the exact time she is marking Aug. 7th. It is enough to say, she has rounded the half century and is galloping along, as we all are, looking forward with joy and faith to the "New World a-Coming."

One of our great women once said in evaluating Elizabeth's power, said very truly, when "Elizabeth speaks we think of music." Her gentleness and dignity we all feel and love. She also has the power to keep on growing. It is a power not peculiar to Youth alone. Susan Woodruff possesses that quality. The great achievements of the Soviet Union made such an impression upon her, she visited there every summer for a long time, and registered its tremendous growth by taking interesting photographs, and bringing them home to us in a concrete way.

Respect and love to you both on your birthdays, Elizabeth and Susan. ELLA REEVE BLOOR.

The Best I Can Do

Croton-on-Hudson.

Editor, Daily Worker:

You may be interested in the following excerpt from a letter I received from my husband, stationed overseas. I feel it expresses the thoughts of many of our men, thoughts we can never be reminded of too often.

"Eight years ago today," he says, "on a Friday Jack and I set out on a sailing trip. Two days later we stopped for supplies and bought a Sunday paper with headlines screaming of a revolution in Spain. July 18, 1936. And I'll not forget my first thoughts as we passed Spanish soil on this trip. The rolling hills . . . the quiet promise I made myself for a lot of swell guys spending their eternity in Spain. How right they were, and how loyal. And somehow I feel that the absolute best I can do is to be true to the objects of their loyalty and to love freedom no less. J. P."

One Swallow

Denver, Colo.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Thomas E. Dewey, Hoover's chosen candidate, is now trying to cater to the Jewish vote, and even the liberal vote as a whole. He repudiates Hamilton Fish because of his anti-Semitism. But what about the others of Dewey's friends and supporters; Men like Gerald Nye, Hoffman, the Illinois bunch of fascists who are in the Chicago Tribune, and some in Congress? One swallow does not make a summer and one repudiation is not going to fool those who know the poisonous thing that anti-Semitism is.

ALBERT STEINBERG.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

Churchill's Optimistic Review— Nazi Doom Seen Near, Allied Bond Firmer

Churchill's review in the House of Commons on Wednesday was delivered in the most confident, and almost triumphant tones that the British premier has yet employed. But throughout all of it, was the ringing call for ever harder efforts, continuing exertions in order to bring certain victory sooner.

This balance between confidence and a call for all-out effort was the single, outstanding fact in the speech. It reflects very well the needs of the war at this hour.

The enemy is recoiling, as Churchill said. But only a continued "thrust forward." "to intensify the conflict and bear with unflinching fortitude whatever evils, whatever blows we may receive" can finish the enemy off.

And perhaps the second outstanding feature of the speech was the evidence in it that unity of the United Nations established at Teheran has been maintained, and is being realized in practice.

Not only the military agreements to which Churchill referred, but also the spirit in which he discussed political issues gives proof that the Teheran compact is working.

Churchill's references to unity in Yugoslavia, his hopes for unity in Poland, his praise for the settlement of French-American relations, and his re-emphasis of the Anglo-Soviet alliance are all symptomatic of the spirit in which British, American and Soviet diplomacy are working to settle outstanding problems.

Although uncertainties still exist on some problems, such as in Italy or Greece, the dominant mood of the speech was very positive.

And for this reason, we excerpt below, the Prime Minister's most important passages. They give a picture of how things stand on the war fronts. They show the political issues, already solved and remaining to be solved.

Allies Masters On All Fronts

On every battlefield all over the world the armies of Germany and Japan are recoiling; they are recoiling before the armed forces of many nations which in various groupings form the Grand Alliance.

In the air, and on land, and on the sea and under the sea, our well-established supremacy increases with steady strides.

At this moment, throughout the world, there is no theatre in which the Allies' mastery has not become pronounced.

See Japan's Doom Sealed

We have gained important and expanding success. New Guinea has been dominated, the Marshalls and Saipan have been taken. The fleets and other forces of the United States have already advanced through the far-flung outer defenses of Japan, and in some parts have pierced to inner defenses, thus opening to us the prospect of a much more speedy climax in the Far East.

"I must repeat that I am increasingly pleased to feel that the interval between the defeat of Hitler and the defeat of Japan will be shorter, perhaps much shorter, than I at one time supposed.

Teheran Vows Being Kept

So far as it has already gone this is certainly a glorious story, not only liberating fields of France from atrocious enslavement but also uniting in bonds of true comradeship the great democracies of the West and the English-speaking peoples of the world.

At Teheran we promised Marshal Stalin that we should put this plan, or something like it, into operation at the end of May or the beginning of June, and he promised, on his part, that the whole of the Russian armies would be thrown, as indeed they have been, into the general battle in the east.

Sees Durable Tie With USSR

It is the Russian Army that has done the main work of tearing the guts out of the German Army. In the air and on the ocean and seas we can maintain ourselves,

but there was no force in the world which could have been called into being except after several more years that would have been able to maul and break the German Army and subject it to such terrible slaughter and manhandling as has fallen upon the Germans by the Russian Soviet armies.

I salute Marshal Stalin, that great champion of his country, and I firmly believe that our twenty years' treaty with Russia will prove to be one of the most lasting and durable factors in preserving peace and order and progress in Europe.

Backs Soviets On Pole Issue

In my opinion, this is a hopeful moment for Poland, for whose rights and independence we entered the war against Germany. We therefore did our best, Eden and I, with others late into the night to promote the visit of Mikolajczyk, the Polish Prime Minister, and other members of his Cabinet to Moscow, where Marshal Stalin was willing to receive them.

The President of the United States was also favorable. How could it be otherwise in this matter, considering his deep interest in the Polish question? Russian armies now stand before the gates of Warsaw. They bring the liberation of Poland in their hands. They offer freedom, sovereignty and independence to the Poles. They ask that there shall be a Poland friendly to Russia.

This seems to me very reasonable, seeing the injury which Russia has suffered from Germany's marching across Poland to attack them.

The Allies would welcome another general rallying, or fusion, of Polish forces, both those who

are working with the Western powers and those with the Soviets. We have several gallant Polish divisions fighting in the West and there are others fighting in Russia. Let them come together. We desire this.

It would be a marvelous thing if this foundation could be laid at the moment when the famous capital of Poland, which so valiantly defended herself against German invasion, had been liberated by the bravery of Russian arms!

Good Words for Yugoslav Unity

Conditions in Yugoslavia have sensibly improved since I last dwelt with this topic in the House. The lawful King of Yugoslavia, who came to us under our advice in his distress, has gathered around him, under the Ban of Croatia, a government which is in friendly contact with Marshal Tito.

Representatives of the fighting administration of Partisans have taken their seats in this new government, and we have here Gen. Velibit, a marvelous and accomplished soldier and thinker, who is the liaison between the King's government and the forces led by Marshal Tito.

We are working for unity here for one purpose alone, here as elsewhere, namely, the gathering together of the whole united strength of Yugoslavia—Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, and the cleansing of their soil from the foul German invader.

This union and this hurling out, I can assure you, have good chances of being accomplished before long.

His Stand On Greece

The Foreign Secretary made a statement to the House last week about Greece which had the full assent of the War Cabinet and marks the line we are taking. The government of Papandreu is broadly representative of all the main forces in Greece.

Soviet Terms To Romania

Now it does seem to me that Romania primarily must make their terms with Russia, whom they have so outrageously assaulted and at whose mercy they will soon lie.

Russia has offered generous terms to Romania. I have no

doubt they would be accepted with gratitude by the Romanian people if only the Romanian leaders had not the Prussian automatic pistol pressed at their breast.

Sharp Warning To Bulgaria

For them also the movement of repentance has not passed, but it is passing swiftly. The whole of Europe is sliding irresistibly into new and secure foundations. What will be the place of Bulgaria at the judgment seat when the petty and cowardly part she has played in this war is revealed and when the entire Yugoslav and Greek nations, through their representatives, will unfold at the Allied armistice table the dismal tale of the work the Bulgarian Army has done in their countries as cruel lackeys of the fallen Nazi power?

Sees New Life In Turkish Tie

This act infuses new life into the alliance we made with Turkey before the war. No one can tell whether Germany or Bulgaria will attack Turkey. If so, we will make common cause with her and shall take the German menace as well as we can in our stride.

No one can expect to enter this conflict and not suffer. Turkish cities may receive the kind of bombardment we have never shrunk from here. Herr von Papen may be sent back to Ger-

many to meet the blood bath which he so narrowly escaped at Hitler's hand in 1934. I can take no responsibility in those matters.

It was the policy of Mustapha Kemal to bring about close unity of action between the Russian and Turkish peoples. I hope this new step will contribute to the continuity of friendship of Turkey and Russia.

Hopes for Firm French Alliance

It is one of the main interests of Britain that friendly France should regain and hold her place among the major powers in Europe and in the world.

Our landing in Normandy, the course of the war, the whole tide of events, show quite clearly that we shall presently once again have to deal with the problems of France and Germany along the Rhine, and from that discussion France can by no means be excluded.

I look forward to the closest association of the British Empire, the United States and the Russian and French representatives in the settlement of these important European problems.

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The American people have contributed \$13,715,070.99 in cash and contributions in kind to Russian War Relief in the first six months of 1944, Edward C. Carter, the agency's president announced yesterday. Cash contributions totalling \$4,091,158.98 were received through the National War Fund and contributions of clothing, household kits, watches, seeds and miscellaneous relief items, valued at \$9,623,917.01 were made direct to Russian War Relief.

Total contributions were more than double the amount received in the first half of 1943, according to Carter, and exceeded by more than three million dollars the quota set by the agency for the first six months of the year.

"Undoubtedly," Carter said, "we will exceed the goal of \$21,000,000 worth of supplies set for 1944 on Jan. 1. The American people will not have boundaries set on their generosity to a gallant ally and have consistently given more than we asked of them. Their spontaneous gifts to the Russian people in the last six months, in addition to cash contributed to the National War Fund, represent more than has been contributed to any single foreign agency in this period, with the exception of the American Red Cross."

PERSONAL MESSAGES

Carter pointed out that all supplies shipped to the Soviet Union carry a label with the American flag on it that contributions in kind are accompanied by a personal message to the Russian recipient from the individual American donor. Many replies expressing thanks and appreciation have been received from Soviet Citizens.

"It is our belief," said Carter, "that Russian War Relief is thus playing an important role, not only in shipping desperately needed supplies, but in establishing a more friendly relationship between our two great peoples for a peaceful future. Every Russian receiving a gift through us knows that this gift comes with the goodwill and respect of individual Americans in every city and village in the United States. And the American giver has a warm personal interest in the recipient of his contribution."

Nearly nine and a half million dollars worth of goods have been consigned to the Soviet Union since Jan. 1, and an additional four and a half million dollars worth is being processed and packed in Russian War Relief's two major warehouses in New York City and Portland, Oregon, for immediate shipment.

Russian War Relief, which will share in the National War Fund campaign this fall, will also continue intensive contributions in kind, Carter said.

Churchill's Review: Nazis Doomed, Allies Firm

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use the peace for which we shall have so dearly fought.

Silent on Italy Partisans Aid

Italians are also here—respectable Italians—and they have been fighting well and we are going to increase their numbers.

Nazis Will Pay For Robot Raids

If the Germans imagine that continuance of this present attack, which costs them very dear in many branches of production, will have the slightest effect upon the course of the war, or upon the morale of the men, women and children who are under fire, they will only be making another of those psychological blunders for which they for so long have been celebrated.

The only result of the use of this indiscriminate weapon, as far as they are concerned, will be that the severity of punishment which

they will receive after their weapons have been struck from their hands by our fighting men will be appreciably decreased."

Strong Stand On Argentina

As an Englishman, I may be pardoned for thinking at this moment of another great South American country with which we have had close ties of friendship and mutual interest since her birth to liberty and independence. I refer to Argentina.

We must all feel deep regret and also anxiety as friends of Argentina, that in this testing time of nations she has not seen fit to declare herself wholeheartedly and unmistakably, with no reserve and qualification, on the side of freedom and has chosen to dally with evil, and also not only with evil but with the losing side.

Nations must be judged by the parts they play. Not only belligerents, but neutrals, will find that their position in the world will not remain entirely unaffected by the part they may have chosen to play.

Notes Crisis In Germany

Not only are those once-proud German armies being beaten back on every front by every one of the many nations which are inviting contact with them, but in their homeland, Germany, tremendous events have occurred which must shake to their foundations the confidence of the people and the loyalty of the troops.

The highest personalities in the German Reich are murdering one another or trying to while the avenging armies of the Allies close upon the doomed and ever narrowing circle of their power.

We have never based ourselves upon the strength of the enemy but only the righteousness of our cause.

However potent may be these manifestations of internal disorder, decisive even as they may be one of these days, it is not in them we should put our trust but in our own strong arm and the justice of our cause.

'44 War Output Behind Quota

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP).—War Production Chairman Donald M. Nelson reported today that only 48 percent of the \$69,000,000,000 1944 munitions program was completed at the midyear mark, and warned against "deluding ourselves that the war production job is already finished."

Top production and military officials entered their third day of discussions with War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes on manpower shortages.

Nelson stressed the 48 percent figure tends to give "an overly optimistic impression" because it does not indicate the boost in production required for the rest of the year in heavy trucks, big guns, bombs, heavy artillery and tractors.

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Nat Low

It will be a unique setting the Beau Jack-Bob Montgomery fight will have this evening at Madison Square Garden. For the first time the interest in the setting of the fight will be greater than in the battle itself—and that's the way it should be for the bigger fight going on all over the world is the thing that has made this particular one in the Garden tonight possible.

Bob Montgomery, the lightweight champion of the world, will face Beau Jack—both are privates in the Army—and the boys will fight for "nothing" but their country. And in line with the uniqueness of the affair, the fans will get paid to see this one—paid a couple of years in form of high interest war bonds that will soon help to bring Hitler and the rest of the tottering Axis into their well-rewarded graves.

At ringside, in seats worth anywhere from \$10,000 to \$100,000, will be pale-faced youngsters—veterans of the campaign overseas that have guaranteed the safety of our way of life. These wounded vets of the Italian and French campaigns will take over a good portion of the ringside section—thanks to the good feeling of numerous individuals and companies who have purchased the tickets for them.

The advance sale for the bout has already topped the phenomenal figure of 20 million bucks and will probably go way over that by ringtime tonight.

It has been interesting to note how the sports world has rallied to this fight. At first there were hesitations and doubts about the thing being a success. But once it got under way it really caught on, and we are glad, for once, to see the way the papers of the city have been united in support of this affair—even those papers that have such distasteful political policies.

This type of unity is refreshing. Every columnist and writer in town has plugged it, every broadcaster has done the same, most of the athletes and sportsmen have gone out of their way to offer help and advice—and in general there has been a unanimous, whole-hearted drive to make this war bond bout a gigantic success because most Americans see the war's end within sight and want to do everything in their power to bring it to a complete and successful conclusion so that our guys can come back from the wars to resume their peaceful ways at home.

So—it is with pleasure that we have viewed the whole thing—pleasure at the sight of such warming, thorough unity, even among people whom we have called names in the past.

And it is entirely fitting that the two principals in the fight should be Negro citizens of our country who are following in the footsteps of another great Negro athlete, Joe Louis, who three years put his title on the line twice and gave all his great earnings to the United States Navy and Army relief societies; actions unprecedented in sporting history.

Beau Jack and Bob Montgomery are leading citizens of their communities and splendid patriotic Americans. They also happen to be magnificent fighters and will give their all tonight in an effort to make the occasion an artistic as well as financial success.

They have been in the Army for some months now and perhaps may not be in the very best boxing condition—but you can be assured they'll not hold back anything in their efforts.

We don't know who's going to win tonight's fight in the ring—and frankly we don't care too much, either.

But we do know who's going to win the big fight overseas as we so surely know Hitler is going to lose it.

We'll see you at the Garden tonight.

The Adventures of Richard

Richard Plays in a Play

By Mike Singer

Dear Dad,

Here's something. This week I played in a play. It was one of the play shows the camp ever had. I played in it. I was one of the leading actors. It was a terrific play. They say it was one of the best plays the camp ever had and I was in it.

RICHARD.

P.S.—I also joined the chorus.

Dear Richard:

What was the play about? I mean the one which was the greatest show the camp ever had and naturally the one in which you were one of the leading actors. What part did you play? What was the name of the play? Who wrote it and how come you became an actor? If you can answer any one of these questions I'll send you a copy of Shakespeare for Young People.

DAD.

Dear Dad:

I don't know why you asked all those questions because I told you the whole story in my letter. I was in a play and it was about people.

It had an exciting plot. I had a lot of fun because I was one of the leading actors. But don't think I'm not playing baseball and all that. I'm singing in the chorus. I'll write you sometime and tell you what I sung.

RICHARD.

Dear Richard:

Thanks for the detailed information you sent me about the play that you were in and all about your glee club experiences. Don't strain your voice, though, because then you'd make a rotten shortstop. Who ever heard of a shortstop that didn't have a loud, peppy voice out there?

DAD.

Dear Dad:

Don't worry about my voice. I think they're throwing me out of the glee club.

RICHARD.

Franklin Dies, Result of Kayo

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 3 (UP).—Lent Franklin, 28-year-old Chicago Negro heavyweight paralyzed by a knockout blow in a fight two weeks ago, died at Newark City Hospital today.

Franklin's right side was paralyzed when he was kayoed in the ninth round of a 10-round bout at Eadowbrook Bowl by Larry Lane 26-year-old Trenton, N. J., heavyweight.

Capt. Frank O'Neill of the Newark detective bureau said that Lane would be taken into custody on a technical charge of manslaughter.

Franklin, born in Mobile, Ala., was a Chicago golden glove champion before turning professional in 1927 and won the international amateur heavyweight championship by knocking out Herbert Runge, Germany.

He attained prominence in heavyweight ranks in 1939 by knocking out Lee Savold and scoring a decision over Abe Simon, but then campaigned with mediocre success until 1941 when he again kayoed Simon, Jimmy Bivins and Tony Musto. Franklin was reaching the top, on a record of 21 straight victories, 10 by knockouts, when he was knocked out by Bob Pastor at Cleveland in 1942. Since then he had been knocked out consistently.

The Chicago heavyweight hit the canvas with the back of his head in his bout with Lane and was unconscious for almost an hour.

Franklin was the first prominent fighter to die from ring injuries since Ernie Schaaf of Elizabeth, N. J., died in February, 1933, of brain injuries suffered in a bout with Primo Carnera.

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WMCA—670 Kc. WEVD—1330 Kc.
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WNYC—430 Kc. WOV—1290 Kc.
WABC—880 Kc. WBSY—1400 Kc.
WINS—1000 Kc. WQXR—1500 Kc.

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00—WEAF—Road of Life
WOR—News; Talk; Music
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WABC—Honeydew Hill
11:15—WEAF—Vic and Sade
WABC—Second Husband
11:30—WEAF—Star Playhouse
WOR—Quiz Wizard
WJZ—News; Cliff Edwards, Songs
WABC—Bright Horizon
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
11:45—WEAF—David Harum
WOR—What's Your Idea?
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00—WEAF—News Reports
WOR—Boake Carter, News
WJZ—Glamour Manor
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
12:15—WEAF—Talk, Maggi McNeill
WOR—Mealtime Melodies
WABC—Big Sister—Sketch
12:30—WEAF—United States Marine Band
WOR—News; Juke Box
WJZ—News; Farm Home Makers
WABC—Hickory Trent
12:45—WJZ—Victory Gardens—Talk
WABC—Our Gal Sunday
1:00—WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—News; Jack Berch, Songs
WJZ—H. R. Baukage, News
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
1:15—WJZ—Housewives Protective League
WABC—Ma Perkins
WMCA—The Inquiring Parent
1:30—WOR—Lopez Orchestra
WABC—Bernardine Flynn, News
WMCA—Recorded Music
1:45—WEAF—Morgani Beatty, News
WOR—American Woman's Jury
WJZ—Little Jack Little, Songs
WABC—The Goldbergs

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00—WEAF—The Guiding Light
WOR—Talk—Martha Deane
WJZ—News Comment
WABC—Portia Faces Life
2:15—WEAF—Today's Children
WJZ—Housewives Protective League
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WABC—Joyce Jordan
2:30—WEAF—Woman in White
WOR—News; Talk—Jane Cowl
WJZ—Ed East and Polly
WABC—Young Dr. Malone
2:45—WEAF—Talk—Betty Crocker
WABC—Perry Mason
2:55—WQXR—News Reports
3:00—WEAF—A Woman of America
WOR—Consumers Quiz
WJZ—Morton Downey, Songs
WABC—Mary Martin
WMCA—News; Mill Greene, Songs
3:15—WEAF—Mrs. Perkins
WJZ—Bruce Hayes, Songs
WABC—Hollywood Star Time
WMCA—The Jubilaires, Songs
WMCA—Talk—Ethel Colby
3:30—WEAF—Pepper Young
WOR—Dr. Eddy's Food Forum
WJZ—Appointment With Life
WABC—Bob Trout, News
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
3:45—WEAF—Right to Happiness
WABC—The High Places

The Baseball Roundup

Chipman Beats Dodgers Again; Yankee Notes

by Phil Gordon

Perhaps the prize baseball boner of the year was committed by Branch Rickey when he let Bob Chipman, the willowy southpaw, go to the Cubs in exchange for Ed Stanky who was supposed to fill the gap at shortstop, but who turned out to be a natural second-sacker instead.

Yesterday Chipman, who is a native of Brooklyn to boot, again thrashed the Dodgers in the opening game of the Ebbets Field doubleheader, for his third straight over his former teammates. The Cubs won, 6-2, and even though Paul Derringer came in to relieve Chipman in the seventh inning, Bob hurled a neat game.

Curt Davis started for the Dodgers and gave up five runs in the first three innings—four of them coming in on homers by Dom Dilessandro and Bill Nicholson in the first and third frames. Both scored two and Nicholson's blast was his 22nd of the season.

Sgt. Cy Blanton, who was the ace of the Pirate pitching staff a few years ago, has sued to soldiers for an automobile accident that cost him the sight of his left eye. The accident took place in Oakland, Calif., and brought an end to Blanton's baseball career. He has sued for \$25,000.

They are going to celebrate Connie Mack's 50th anniversary in baseball tonight at Shibe Park if the Nazi-provoked racial strike

will be over by then. The grand old man of baseball piloted his first team way back in Sept. 3, 1894. The Yanks will play the As tonight after the celebration that will have the players of Connie's all-time team on the field. This outfit includes Bill Dickey, Lefty Grove, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Tris Speaker, George Sisler, Eddie Collins, Hans Wagner, Mickey Cochran, Frank "Home Run" Baker and Walter Johnson.

The Yanks had a long tryout at Yankee Stadium yesterday and seemed not at all down in the mouth over the fact that they are six and a half games behind the league-leading St. Louis rowns.

George "Snuffy" Stirnweiss is still of the opinion the Browns are going to hit a slump this season. "They ain't so good as to go all through a season without at least one slump."

We'll see if the Yanks mean business when they play that vital four-game series with the Browns next week. This will be 1922 all over again. In that year the Yanks won the series and went on to rob St. Louis of their first flag. . . . These Brownies seem more determined than their predecessors.

Radio Concerts

5-5:15 P. M. WQXR (also FM)—Whittemore and Lowe, duo pianists of United States Navy.
Seldom the Sun—Wilder Guaracha, Latin American Symphonies.
Two Short Pieces—Kennon
6:15-6:35 P. M. WLIE—Great Classics: Clock Symphony—Haydn
7:05-8 P. M. WNYC (also FM)—Masterpiece Hour.
8-9 P. M. WQXR (also FM)—Symphony Hall.

Enite No. 3 in D—Bach
Violin Concerto—Bloch
8:30-9:35 P. M. WNYC (also FM) to end—Stadium Concert by the Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra, with Fabien Sevitzky conducting.
12 P. M.-1 A. M. WEVD—Symphonic Hour:
Euryanthe Overture—Weber
Suite No. 3 in G, Theme and Variations—Tchaikovsky
Prelude: Good Friday Spell—Wagner

8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News

9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00—WEAF—Frank Munn, Tenor; Evelyn MacGregor, Contralto
WOR—Gabriel Heatter, News
WJZ—Gang Busters
WABC—It Pays to Be Ignorant
WMCA—News, Studio Music
9:15—WOR—Screen Test
9:30—WEAF—People Are Funny
WOR—Double or Nothing—Quiz
WJZ—Spotlight Band
WABC—That Brewster Boy
WMCA—Norman Jay—Talk
9:45—WJZ—Short Story
10:00—WEAF—Boston Blackie—Play, With Chester Morris
WOR—Boxing; Bob Montgomery—Beau Jack
WJZ—Earl Godwin, News
WABC—Garry Moore, Jimmy Durante, Comedy
WMCA—News, Recorded Music
10:15—WJZ—From England: Ted Malone
10:30—WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern
WJZ—Letter to Your Service Man
WABC—Stage Door Canteen
WMCA—Frank Kingdom—Talk
10:45—WEAF—To Be Announced
WJZ—Kay Lorraine, Songs
WMCA—Robert Crum, Piano
11:00—WEAF, WOR—News, Music
WJZ, WABC—News, Music
WMCA—News, Music
11:30—WEAF—Author's Playhouse
12:00—WEAF, WABC—News, Music
WJZ, WMCA—News, Music

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Film Front

Answering a Critic Who Did Not
Like the Accents in Dragon Seed

By David Platt

What is all this nonsense about "guttural Germanic," "sophisticated American" and "broad Oxonian" accents spoiling the magnificent MGM film Dragon Seed? The New York Times' reviewer, P.P.K., started it by knocking Katherine Hepburn for her "accent" and Akim Tamiroff for his "heavy speech" which he said "falls upon the ear as resonantly as the sound of gefulte fish banged against a temple gong."

Gefulte fish, my right eye. This is smart - alec reporting, carping criticism at its worst. Another case of a deadly wisecrack taking the place of honest analysis. Did P.P.K. expect Hollywood actors to speak with a perfect Chinese accent? More important than any accent is what the characters express through and beyond their accents. I found nothing objectionable in Katharine Hepburn's performance. I thought she was unusually restrained in her speech and mannerisms. After a few moments I clean forgot that she was Hepburn. She became for me and doubtless for many, many others, a representative and splendid woman of the new, anti-fascist China.

THE ARTISTS SUCCEEDED

As for that remarkable actor Akim Tamiroff—the part of the Chinese Quisling that he plays was written with such deep knowledge of the ways of traitors of all nations—the results would have been the same, as far as I am concerned, if he had spoken with an Eskimo, Pawnee Indian, Alabaman or a perfect Brooklyn accent. Tamiroff's slavic accent did not bother me one bit. It did not bother L. M. Lin, who writes me:

"Now that Dragon Seed is a success, I think that we should promote Village in August as the next picture that Hollywood should consider to make. There is a lot of talk about 'accents' in Dragon Seed by certain critics. I must say that, as a Chinese, it didn't disturb me at all. The important thing is that the real Chinese people, their real spirit, is portrayed.

The artists in Dragon Seed succeeded." Agreed.

I will say this: Anyone coming away from Dragon Seed, talking about the "sound of gefulte fish banged against a temple gong" and making a big issue of accents, heard nothing, saw nothing and has missed an important experience in the theater.

IRVING PLACE SCOOP

A rare silent film, the only existing movie of Woodrow Wilson and his cabinet exactly as shown almost 30 years ago is now on display at the Irving Place Theatre. The two features with it are Peasants (Soviet) and Ballerina (French). Both very good.

DON'T CHANGE HORSES

It's on the air! What's on the air? The sensational song hit of the hour—Don't Change Horses. Words and music by Al Hoffman, Milton Drake and Jerry Livingston. The song banned by the major networks on the theory that Republican listeners might get the idea and vote for Roosevelt. It's on the air nightly at 8:45 on Station WBNY (1430) Brooklyn. Disc-jockey Jitterbug jargon for record player) Great Scott—that's his handle—plays it every night. . . . Come to think of it, it might not be a bad idea to send postcards to the disc-jockeys on the other independent stations to get them to give the song a boost. . . . Martin Block (WNEW), Alan Courtney (WOW), Dick Gilbert (WHN), Jerry Lawrence (WMCA), Walter Holmes (WBNX). . . . Having it played over the smaller stations might loosen the ban of the national systems. . . . It's happened before that the big radio chains had their minds changed by the independent broadcasters. . . . Decca has just issued a record of the Earl Robinson-Lewis Allan popular song hit The House I Live In, played by Conrad Thibault. . . . On the other side is the Hi Zaret-Lew Singer ballad I Spoke to Jefferson at Guadalcanal. . . .

School for Brides Is Below Par

SCHOOL FOR BRIDES, a farce comedy by Frank Gill, Jr., and George Carleton Brown. Directed by Harold Morton. Presented by Howard Lang at the Royale Theatre on Aug. 2, 1944.

By RALPH WARNER

As is customary, Broadway celebrated the opening of the 1944-45 theatrical season with a play which should have stood in bed. "School for Brides" is a naughty farce, with supposedly snappy lines. It also boasts a sub-cast of pretty girls who wander around the stage in undress. I suppose that farce, snappy lines and all, plus lovely long limbs on langorous ladies might add up to entertainment for hot weather. But

the dialogue stilted. Three acts of that sort of thing send audiences into a coma. As for the girls, they, too, become unrealistic bores.

Producer Howard Lang is responsible for that record-breaking Chicago hit, "Good Night, Ladies," a farce he wisely kept out of New York. He should have kept "School for Brides" west of the Hudson, too. It's not for the Fatuous Forties. Except for the comic talents of Roscoe Karns, popular screen comedian who essays the leading role of a much-married millionaire, it's bilgy buffoonery sans laugh, sans taste, sans everything. . . .

Cleveland Youths to Discuss Soldier Vote

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—How young people at home can help servicemen vote will be one of the principal questions discussed at the forthcoming Mid-Summer Conference of the Ohio American Youth for Democracy, to be held in Cleveland at the Central Y. M. C. A., Sunday afternoon, Aug. 6.

Young people and their organizations are showing deep concern because of the obstacles placed in the way of soldier voting by the Republican State Legislature under the leadership of Gov. Bricker. The Ohio American Youth for Democracy has printed and distributed 15,000 ballot applications to be sent to servicemen. Other young peoples organizations who are already using these ballot applications have been invited to participate in the conference.

Cacchione Hails Ada Jackson Vote

City Councilman Peter V. Cacchione of Brooklyn, commenting on the election returns in Mrs. Ada E. Jackson's district, said yesterday: "Mrs. Jackson gave the pork barrel politicians the scare of their lives. There's a strong, entrenched Republican machine in the 17th A.D. It was the first time that this machine had to face a contest.

"The significance lies in the fact that the people know that Mrs. Jackson, although a Republican, is a strong supporter of President Roosevelt and openly supports his reelection. I'm sure she will make a strong showing in November. Mrs. Jackson received a majority of the vote—against a Republican opponent—in the Negro districts. This belies the Republican statement that they have the November Negro vote."

Singer Calls Boogie-Woogie Old

By DICK BYRON

(Dick Byron is a fast-rising NBC baritone.)

Boogie-woogie is not a 20th century musical development. Its origin, believe it or Ripley, is in the music of such classicists as Gluck, Handel—and, yes, Bach's C minor Passacaglia — and, if you really want to get down to cases, even his "Crucifixus" from his B minor Mass!

In those halcyon days it was not called boogie-woogie but was known as divisions on a ground.

Looking in Grove's Dictionary of Music and Musicians we find this quotation from a work by Christopher Symphon, published in 1665, the purpose of which was to instruct the musically-inclined of

that era how to perform in that manner. The work is called Chelys Minuritum, or Division Vio, and in it Symphon writes:

"Diminution or division to a Ground is the breaking either of the bass or of any other higher part that is applicable thereto. The manner of expressing it is thus:

"A Ground, subject, or bass, call it what you please, is pricked down in two several papers: One for him who is to play the Ground upon an organ, harpsichord, or what other instrument may be apt for that purpose; the other for him that plays upon the viol, who, having the said Ground before his eyes as his theme or subject, plays such variety of descant, or division, in accordance thereto, as his

skill and present invention do then suggest to him."

Today's conception of boogie-woogie is an off-shoot of spirituals; its ritual manifestations are to be found in church music of the polyphonic era. The Cantus Firmus, for instance, consisted of a melody, which was not necessarily created by its composer but could have been "borrowed," and this was made the basis for a series of variations. Boogie-woogie can also be said to hail from the chaconne and the passacaglia dances, the music for which consisted of a ground bass with treble variations. It was born in Mexico and ultimately wended its way to Europe, there to be musically toyed with by the masters of the classics!

Recruits WAVES



Margaret Arlen of WABC is heading the station's recruiting campaign for WAVES. She made about 50 appeals on WABC and CBS programs this week urging local girls to join the navy.

Westerns Return To RKO Radio

Western pictures will return to the RKO Radio program on the 1944-45 product schedule, after an absence of almost two years. The outdoor-action pictures were discontinued when Tim Holt, who had proved popular with the western picture audiences, joined up with Uncle Sam.

The studio recently announced the acquisition of screen rights to eight of Zane Grey's greatest western stories.

48 Hours Begins Seventh Week

In spite of the current heat wave which has put so many theatres into doldrums, 48 Hours, the new British thriller, continues its merry way at 57th Street's Little Carnegie, and is being held over for its 7th week beginning August 5.

Hailed as one of the year's most unusual suspense dramas 48 Hours directed by Cavalcanti, stars Leslie Banks, Frank Lawton, Elizabeth Allan and Basil Sydney.

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RECORDINGS

Oklahoma Music Is Genuine

OKLAHOMA, by Rogers-Hammerstein. Played by members of the original New York production; Decca Album No. A-359; \$5.34.

By PAUL ANTHONY

This is an album which has been on the market for some time. Although it is pretty generally accepted as being good there are a few things about it which this reviewer would like to reemphasize or possibly bring out for the first time.

In a recent review I attempted to set a few standards by which to recognize and evaluate folk music. They were: "spontaneity, universality and whole-hearted acceptance by the people." Oklahoma fills the bill. In regard to spontaneity its genesis shows that. At first this play was called Green Grow the Lilacs and was a play with the usual American folk songs thrown in. Somehow it didn't sell. Here was a good hearty American play, rich with vital folk quality and you naturally added folk music to it, but the fault was just that.

NOT SAME NEEDS

The folk music added to it was the wrong kind. It had been written to meet other needs, to express other conditions, other places, other times.

The form was there but the content, as far as music was concerned, was off the beam. There was only one thing to do: throw out the folk songs and write new music. This was done. The very first number Oh, What a Beautiful Morning! was manufactured, so to speak, but after that every musical item grew out of the play and out of the music that just preceded it. There is not one unnatural word or note or

phony emotion in the entire score. Everything is smooth, natural and genuine.

As far as universality is concerned, although the scene is Oklahoma in 1906 and the work is wholesomely and unashamedly American, there is in the background and as sort of a foundation a rich, healthy, robust humanness, a vitality and freshness that I have not seen duplicated anywhere except in some of the artistic creations which come from the Soviet Union. After listening to this music a few times the place, time and setting fade into the distance and the music actually becomes universal. It's your music, my music, everybody's music.

To consider the third criterion, widespread acceptance by the people; it is a simple matter to recall the endless gags about trying to get seats for the New York performance, and to remember that the second company opened in Chicago and is still there after a year. All this is quite significant when we realize that Oklahoma is not smart, sophisticated "drawing-room" entertainment dreamed up by bright young men, but is a simple direct sincere account of human beings—ourselves and our neighbors.

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Arrest Banta, Ex-Dies Aide, On Charges of Conspiracy

Edwin P. Banta, whose red-baiting testimony for the Dies Committee against the Federal writers' project, once was spread regularly across the nation's press, was arrested yesterday charged with conspiracy.

Banta was exposed by John R. Carlson, author of Under Cover, as a "confidential trouble shooter for native fascists throughout the country."

In retaliation, he falsely accused Carlson of a criminal attack on June Kelly, 21, of 327 W. 56th St., according to an information handed down by the New York County Grand Jury.

Miss Kelly is Banta's secretary. Carlson visited her June 16 to question her about American subversive movements. She told Banta who conceived the idea of her making a charge against the author. "If you make it stick, we'll blow the sedi-

tion trial in Washington all to hell," he told her, according to District Attorney Hogan.

Miss Kelly refused to say she actually had been attacked but agreed to charge that Carlson attempted an assault, Hogan said. Banta took the charge to Police Commissioner Valentine but two days later the secretary confessed to the Commissioner that no attempted attack had occurred. Miss Kelly is named in the criminal information as a co-conspirator but has not been arrested.

Although Banta has been exposed in recent years as an associate of the German-American Bund and a close friend of George Sylvester Viereck, Nazi agent, his red-baiting testimony got a big play in the first days of the Dies Committee and because the meaning of red-baiting was not understood, had an important effect in speeding the end of the writers' project.

TWU Wins Raise for Cab Drivers

The CIO Transport Workers Union has won War Labor Board approval of a 45 cents a day increase in pay for taxicab drivers, paid on a commission basis.

The raise, the equivalent of the amount provided by application of the Little Steel formula, directly affects 160 drivers employed by the Sunshine Cab Corp. Public and labor members of the regional WLB formed the majority making the decision. Industry members dissented.

The board also directed restoration of a one per cent bonus paid by the Sunshine Co. between July and December, 1942, ordered a

week's vacation with pay, maintenance of membership and deduction of union dues by the company. Both the bonus and 45-cent increase are retroactive to April 7, date of the union's certification as bargaining agent for the employees.

Industry members sought to deny the cabbies the raise because earnings on commissions had tripled since January, 1941. However, John W. McConnell, public member, who wrote the majority opinion, said: "Unquestionably the increase in earnings has been considerable. The percentage of increase, however, must be judged first of all in the light of the extraordinarily low level of earnings in 1941."

Allies Seize Hill Near Florence

ROME, Aug. 3 (UP).—New Zealand troops today seized the dominant features of Mount La Poggiona, five miles southwest of Florence, and British and Indian units set up a new bridgehead two miles wide and a mile deep across the Pesa River as the Germans everywhere counter-attacked furiously and slowed the Allied advance.

On the Fifth Army front to the west, American artillery dispersed 200 German infantrymen who had crossed the Arno.

Farther east, in the Allied advance over the Greve River, the town of Stada, seven miles south of Florence, was taken by a Guards brigade cooperating with South African troops, who drove on to take Poneta, two miles southwest.

In the mountains east of Highway 69, a British division advanced two miles north from Monte Maggio and Monte Scialari toward German-held Incisa, 11½ miles southeast of Florence on the Arno River.

Yank Fliers Hit 5 Reich Cities

ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, London, Aug. 3 (UP).—About 1,500 American heavy bombers struck from the west and south at five cities in the German rail and supply system in central Europe and other targets in France and northern Italy today, while British four-engined bombers delivered probably their heaviest daylight blow to date at robot bomb and rocket targets.

Heavy bombers of the U. S. 8th Air Force, which last month flew more than 23,500 sorties and dropped more than 45,000 tons of explosives on Axis Europe, attacked rail yards at Saarbrücken, in western Germany, and Strasbourg and Mulhouse in France; an oil dump at Merckville and other targets, including airdromes in the Nancy area. About 750 bombers escorted by about 500 Mustangs made the attacks.

Chinese Fight Way Into Tengyueh

CHUNGKING, Aug. 3 (UP).—Chinese forces in western Yunnan province fought their way into the Japanese bastion of Tengyueh late today in the wake of a shattering raid by B-25's of the 14th American Air Force that blasted gaping holes in the ancient walls of the city 25 miles west of the Salween River.



Gen. MacArthur's "leapfrog" forces shown at the beaches near Cape Opmarai on the northern tip of New Guinea. The Yanks jumped 200 miles and to within 600 miles of the Philippines to take the village of Sansapor thereby further dooming the already trapped Japanese garrison on New Guinea.

The Veteran Commander

ON THE WAY TO NANTES

THIS IS really something, to put it vulgarly! American troops have covered more than 25 miles in one day and have captured the large communications center of Rennes which controls most of the lines between Paris and Brest. True, there is another coastal railroad running from Brest via Lorient through Nantes, but the one through Rennes is the main line.

It now becomes clear that Gen. Eisenhower intends to march straight on Nantes and cut off the whole of Brittany with all its ports, airdromes, etc. Rennes is 60 miles north of Nantes (which sits on the estuary of the Loire).

It would seem that the German Command has been somewhat fooled by Allied strategy: while everybody was watching the Caen sector and expecting the decision to be reached there, Gen. Bradley cracked wide open the side door into Brittany and is now racing south.

The Germans have been trying frantically to hold the door of the lion's cage shut, but the lion has torn the door off its southern hinge and is now on the loose. The war of maneuver has started. American armor has reached "operational space" at last. Watch for the names of Messac, Ploermel, Redon in the communiques.

THE Battle of Warsaw is raging with new fury. It would seem that now the army group of Gen. Zakharov which again (as was the case at Minsk) was in the second strategic echelon south of Belostok, has moved up forward and is

entering the battle for the Polish capital. A tremendous air battle appears to be raging over the crossings of the Vistula above Warsaw. Here Soviet troops have doubtless established bridgeheads, but no official word (except from Berlin) has been received to that effect.

Gen. Cherniakhovsky is advancing on the East Prussian border towns of Schirwindt and Eydtkuhn, west of Kaunas.

Further north Gen. Bagration is widening his Baltic salient, sealing up Gen. Lindemann more and more tightly while Gens. Yeremenko and Maslennikov are pressing him from the east toward the sea, keeping his troops engaged and thus unable to break off and rush for the ports of embarkation.

In the south Marshal Konev is driving hard toward German Silesia and has captured Rzeszow on the road to Cracow. His vanguards are 125 miles east of the Silesian frontier town of Beuten. Only the Dunetz River and the headwaters of the Vistula stand between Konev and Silesia as well as the fortress cities of Tarnow, Cracow and Katowitz. Soviet crossings of the Vistula between Sandomir and Cracow are most probable.

Thus to the three "tusks" pointing at Riga, Tilsit and Warsaw, a fourth one has been added, pointing at Cracow. The strategic pattern of the thing is truly superb: a great front running from Narva to Odessa, squarely resting on the interior of Europe, has been transformed into a long sausage, stretching along the Baltic, a sausage which is being torn to shreds by the above four tusks. Things like that were supposed to happen only in generals' dreams.

THE central airfield of Guam has been captured by our troops.

12 Million Maps Used For Normandy Blow

ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, Aug. 3 (UP).—High-ranking officers said tonight that 12,000,000 maps—enough to make

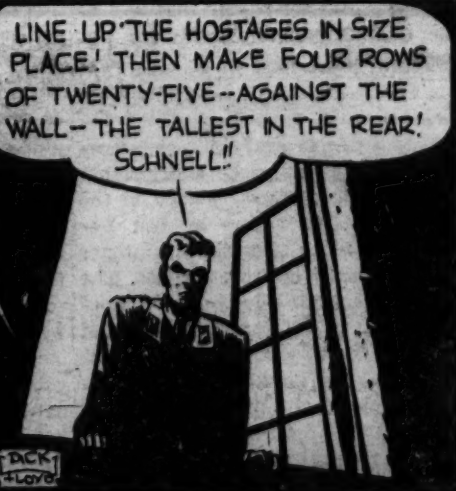
a tower 12 miles high if piled one atop the other—were turned out for the Normandy operation alone.

The invasion maps were the work of British cartographers, who have been charged by headquarters with responsibility for the European

theater of operations. American map-makers are working on other war areas of the world.

Since the outbreak of war, the British have produced more than 1,000,000,000 maps for all theatres, it was disclosed.

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